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Hill fort housing 'would aid tourism'

HOUSING built near to the Old Oswestry Hill Fort could help bring more tourists to see the ancient monument, Shropshire Council has said.

The council said yesterday (Wednesday) that it had been working closely with English Heritage and the promoter of housing sites to assess the potential impacts of further housing on the hill fort.

These discussions had resulted in a significant reduction in the scale of development near the hill fort, from that illustrated in the previous SAMDev consultation last year.

An updated 'Heritage Impact Assessment' with the revised proposals assesses the impact of these on the setting of the hill fort.

An internet petition has been launched to try to stop the housing being built.

Mal Price, Shropshire Council Cabinet member with responsibility for planning, said: "The proposed housing development would also provide a new access to the hill fort from the Gobowen Road, together with car parking and an interpretation point, consistent with the objectives of the new 'Oswestry 2020 Town Plan'."

"Having taken into account the objections to the original plan in this area of Oswestry, we have scaled-down the proposed building work in this area."

Offa's Dyke is damaged

DAMAGE to an ancient landmark on the Shropshire/Welsh border could have been worse, if not for the swift intervention of the Offa's Dyke Association.

Police and the Welsh heritage body, Cadw, are investigating the bulldozing of part of the Offa's Dyke earthwork on land off the A5 north of Chirk. The eighth century border that separated Mercia from England is a protected monument.

Jim Saunders, from the Offa's Dyke Association, said it was one of their members who raised the alarm.



Town campaign steps up a gear

THE Chronicle's "Keeping Oswestry Alive" campaign stepped up a gear this week with another leading town business giving their backing.

The Wynnstay Hotel weighed in with another major contribution and also agreed to have a defibrilla-

tor based at the hotel's Coach House Fitness & Beauty Suite.

This news follows last week's launch and the announcement that Woodhead Estates and The Principality Building Society were funding the siting of a unit at their Legg Street premises to add to one to be based at

The Chronicle offices in Salop Road. The campaign has been launched in association with the British Heart Foundation (BHF) and the West Midland Ambulance Service with the aim of setting up a network of life-saving defibrillators located in strategic areas across Oswestry.

This will provide rapid treatment

for those suffering cardiac arrests. Buying and siting defibrillators will cost in excess of £1,000 per unit but thanks to the Chronicle's partnerships with the Heart Foundation and the Ambulance Service these costs will be reduced.

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MP's call to keep services at the RSH

IT is vital that stroke services are retained at the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital and not moved permanently to Telford, a Mid Wales MP has claimed.

Glyn Davies, Montgomeryshire MP, said the interests of patients over the border in Mid Wales need to be looked after and said he would do all he can to ensure a proper service was kept at the RSH.

He said he wants Welsh views taken on board when all major decisions over the health service.

Until recently stroke services in Shropshire have been located at both major hospitals at Shrewsbury and Telford, but as a result of staffing issues at the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital, stroke services are now concentrated at the Princess Royal in Telford, Mr Davies said.

Last week Shropshire's Healthcare Trust said at a Joint Health Scrutiny Meeting in Telford that there was the possibility of stroke services being delivered from only one site and this would probably be the Princess Royal Hospital in Telford.

Mr Davies said: "The interests of Montgomeryshire must be properly considered when NHS services in Shropshire are re-organised. We pay the same taxes as everyone else and when we are hurt we bleed like everyone else. The people of Montgomeryshire deserve the same consideration as everyone else."

VICTORY AT LAST IN FIGHT FOR CROSSING

by Sue Austin

A VILLAGE near Oswestry finally has its pelican crossing after three years of campaigning and five months of it being installed and not working.

More than 10,000 vehicles travel through Pant every day, using the A483 trunk road. The road is the main arterial link from north to South Wales.

Residents have campaigned for decades for a bypass for both Pant and neighbouring Llanymynech but despite it being put in the roads budget more than once, finances have always prevented the new road being built.

About three years ago the parish council mounted a campaign for short-term safety measure on the road in the village until a bypass could be constructed.

This week saw one of those measures finally switched on.

Councillor Dilys Gaskell from the parish council said she had been delighted to drive through the village on Tuesday and see the lights in action.

Exasperating

"The bags have been taken off the lights, the electric has been wired up and everything now seems to be working." However she said it had been an exasperating wait.

"We finally got the crossing installed in March and were thrilled. We waited and waited and nothing happened. When we contacted the Highways Agency it was explained that although the crossing was in, we then had to wait for the telecommunications system that works the lights to be wired up."

"We began to wonder whether they would ever be turned on."

Councillor Gaskell said she was pleased that the crossing would be in use before the Bank Holiday traffic, which will see thousands more vehicles pour through the village and into Wales and the coast on Friday and Saturday before returning on Monday.

Paterson's pledge on energy report

A GOVERNMENT report into the impact of wind farms and renewable energy on the countryside will be published, Environment Secretary Owen Paterson has pledged.

Mr Paterson, MP for North Shropshire, said work is ongoing on the study. But he said he did not wish to comment on reports claiming Energy Secretary Ed Davey is attempting to block its publication over fears it could include negative conclusions about renewable energy.

It is claimed it could provide confirmation that turbines could harm rural areas.

The pedestrian crossing at Pant.

The photo shows a pedestrian crossing at Pant, Shropshire, with a car passing by.

The scarecrows have landed!



Llanfachan Show secretary June Row, with a scarecrow made by Charlie Oakley.
Picture: Peter Flemmich.

A HORDE of scarecrows of varying shapes and sizes have invaded the village dence ahead of the village's show which will be taking place on bank holiday Monday.

The stuffed figures have taken up resi-

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Road jams at barrier

A LEVEL crossing barrier which stuck causing long tailbacks has been repaired.

Motorists and pedestrians in Whittington, near Oswestry, were held up after the barrier failed in the down position shortly before 7.30am on Tuesday.

A spokesman for Network Rail said: "British Transport Police were on site at 7.50am to divert traffic.

"A team was sent out to fix the problem."



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**Veterans on the team sheet for club's anniversary**

MORE than 100 veteran football players have put their name back on the team sheet to celebrate the anniversary of their club – just one year after it almost folded.

Former players of Dudleston Heath FC, some of whom are in their 70s, are set to travel across the country to unite for one last match in green and white on Sunday.

The veterans are coming together to mark the club's 30th year in the North

Shropshire Sunday League and to celebrate still being in existence after almost closing back in May.

Club founder Russell Williams will travel from Lincoln for the day which will include a kids fun run, evening quiz and hog roast.

Club Secretary Stephen Humphreys said: "Our football team is now 30 years old and we wanted to do something to mark the occasion. When the club first formed the

late John Pearce began keeping a record of every player – how many times he played and how many goals he scored. We kept that record going and managed to track down around 230 of our 300 former players."

"More than 100 have now said they will dust down their boots and play in a veteran's game and we plan to make a day of it. There is going to be a family fun day with loads of events for youngsters." Mr

Humphreys said the club came close to closing when the North Shropshire Sunday League almost folded.

He said: "We went into the last game of the season believing it could be the final game." He added club founder Russell Williams will be the guest of honour.

Families are invited to get to Criftins playing fields, in Chestnut Avenue, Dudleston Heath, near Ellesmere, from 2.15pm.

Van driver misses collision with 70mph train by seconds

A MOTORIST narrowly escaped a 70mph collision with a train after driving on to a railway line near Welshpool without checking it was safe.

Mattress salesman George Calladine was on his way to visit a customer in Buttington, near Welshpool, when he drove onto Smith's Lower Cefn crossing in the village and stopped.

An Arriva Trains Wales train came around the corner and Calladine sped off with only seconds to spare as the train driver hit the emergency brakes and braced himself for a collision.

Calladine, 40, of Sandhill Sconce, Tolney Lane, Newark, Nottinghamshire, was fined £1,000 when he appeared at Welshpool Magistrates Court on Tuesday after admitting a charge of endangering a railway.

Mr David Peate, chairman of the magistrates, told Calladine he had done a "very, very, very stupid thing" and also ordered him to pay £85 costs and a £100 victim surcharge.

Mr Peate said: "You have a wife and children and they could have been left without a breadwinner. Think of the poor driver too – the effect on him must have been considerable."

"As for the people in the carriages, the driver slamming on the brakes would have caused distress to them, they would have been scared.

"It is important that everyone realises how serious this was. Thank goodness you got out of the way and there was no injury, no collision and no damage. But this was a very serious offence."

Mr Justin Espie, prosecuting, said the incident happened at about 6pm on March 27 at a crossing on a tight bend just outside Welshpool.

He said: "The train driver said he and no injury caused to any person. It was coming around a sharp bend at was a neglectful act, not something

silver Mercedes van stationary on the line 200 yards head."

"He slammed on the emergency breaks but knew there was no chance of stopping in time and he prepared himself for a collision. At the last moment, the driver of the van accelerated and avoided the collision by two seconds."

Mr Espie said the crossing was unmanned and people wanting to cross have to pick up the phone on the crossing and check with a rail officer on the line whether it is safe to cross.

He said Calladine had not done this and instead had attempted to cross without warning. He added: "He was arrested and asked about the incident and said he did not see the signs warning him to call on the telephone itself."

Mr Paul Inns, for Calladine, said his client should have paid more attention to the crossing.

He said: "He has entered an early guilty plea and been fully co-operative with police. He should have been looking at the crossing for safety measures but he had never encountered a crossing like it before."

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Pottery specialist presents plate to Paul Hollywood

WHEN heartthrob TV chef Paul Hollywood bakes his next delicious cake, he may well be serving it up on a plate made in Shropshire.

For when Hollywood made an appearance at Shrewsbury Flower Show he was presented with his own personalised plate made in the Honey Pots studio on Oswestry.

The pottery specialist had a stand at the show and, when co-owner Catherine Meade heard that the Great British Bake Off star would be there, she decided to make him some crockery. She said: "I've always enjoyed baking and I really love the

show, so when I heard that Paul Hollywood was going to be at Shrewsbury, I couldn't resist painting a one off design to be presented to him.

"Paul Hollywood was extremely charming and I think he was taken aback when I said that we wanted to present him with a gift. When he saw the plate he seemed genuinely delighted with it, saying he would have to make room for it in his kitchen."

Producing personalised painted plates is a big part of the Honey Pots' business run by Catherine and twin sister Sarah.

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NEWS**Viaduct work set to cause delays**

RAIL passengers in Shropshire are facing more than a week of disruption due to "essential" work on a viaduct.

Trains between Shrewsbury and Wrexham General will be diverted via Chester and Crewe while improvements are carried out to Cefn Mawr viaduct near Chirk.

Replacement bus services will run between Shrewsbury and Wrexham calling at stations in Gobowen, Chirk and Ruabon.

The work by Network Rail contractors will start on Saturday and last for eight days.

The changes will affect Arriva Trains Wales services between Holyhead and Shrewsbury, and hourly shuttle trains will run between Wrexham and Chester while the work is carried out.

Officials at Arriva Trains Wales said the work would cause "unavoidable" disruption and urged passengers to allow extra time.

Lynne Milligan, customer services director at Arriva Trains Wales, said the work would speed up journey times in the long run.

She said: "We are asking customers to check their journey details in advance and to allow extra time for their journeys."

"Posters have been displayed at selected stations with full details about the changes to our services."

"We apologise in advance for any inconvenience that may result from these unavoidable changes."

"The works form part of a larger scheme which will lead to shorter journey times between north and south Wales in the future."

The changes will also disrupt services in Cardiff, Holyhead and Llandudno.

Visit www.arrivatrainswales.co.uk or telephone National Rail Enquiries on 08457 484950 for details.

Hotel bosses to back campaign by funding a new defibrillator

BOSSES at Oswestry's Wynnstar Hotel this week backed the Chronicle's "Keeping Oswestry Alive" campaign.

The hotel announced it would be helping to fund a life-saving defibrillator to be based in their fitness and leisure suite.

The campaign was launched last week, with Woodhead Estates and The Principality Building Society announcing they would fund a defibrillator in their Legg Street offices and now The Wynnstar is on board too.

"We are pleased to be associated with this campaign," said hotel manager Sebastian Siddi.

by Graham Breeze

Walk your way back to being fit

PREPARATIONS are under way for this year's Oswestry Walking Festival after a successful inaugural event last year.

The festival has been organised as part of the Walkers are Welcome initiative, and will take place on September 13 to 15.

Organisers have planned nine walks taking in the landscape, history and heritage of Oswestry and the Welsh Marches.

The first day will see groups take a ramble on Lynch's Common with David Hardwick from Shropshire Wildlife Trust, and head up to Old Oswestry Hillfort with Liz Evans, from Walking for Health.

On the Saturday there will be trips to Llanrhedadr, Oswestry Racecourse, Oswald's Well, and along the Llangollen Canal to the Pontcysyllte aqueduct.

And on the Sunday there will be walks based from Oswestry town centre, including two full-day excursions with the opportunity to stop for a picnic lunch.

There is a charge of £2 for the short walks, and £3 for the longer walks and those including a bus journey to the start point. All walks must be booked and paid for in advance with cheques made payable to Oswestry Walkers are Welcome.

Most of the walks will start from the Cambrian Railway Station in Oswald Road, Oswestry. Dogs cannot be accepted.

For more information on the programme pick up a leaflet at Oswestry library or tourist information points, or visit oswestrywalkers.co.uk.

Siddi: "There is a real need for defibrillators in Oswestry and we have already got nine staff qualified to use the equipment which will not only be available for the leisure centre and hotel but also for the general public."

In association with the British Heart Foundation (BHF) and the West Midland Ambulance Service the Oswestry & Border Chronicle is appealing for help from readers and advertisers.

The target is to set up a network of life-saving defibrillators located in strategic areas across Oswestry, aimed at providing rapid treatment for those suffering cardiac arrests.

Chronicle associate editor Graham Breeze said: "With the closure of the town's ambulance station and greater demands on the ambulance service and first responders it is really important to provide as much support as possible."

"Treatment within the first few minutes is so vital for cardiac arrest sufferers and we aim to make the people of Oswestry aware of where every defibrillator can be found and help ensure that the training is provided."

"The people of Oswestry have taken the Chronicle to their hearts since we launched back in March 2011 and with the support of our readers and advertisers we want to give something back to the town."

Midland News Association, owners of The Chronicle, are backing the "Keeping Oswestry Alive" scheme and staff will be raising funds as well.

Cardiac arrests and heart attacks affect an estimated 111,000 people each year in England alone. Over 75,000 people die each year in the UK from sudden cardiac arrest but with rapid treatment from a defibrillator, around 85 per cent could be saved.

Community Paramedic Officer for Shropshire Terry Foster, of West Midlands Ambulance Service, said: "Bystander CPR is incredibly important because having people on hand who know what to do is crucial."

Warren Appleby, Shropshire's Fundraising Volunteer Manager for the BHF, backed the launch of the appeal.

"This is a very positive scheme and the British Heart Foundation is pleased to be associated with The Chronicle and the West Midland Ambulance Service," he said.



At the Wynnstar Hotel in Oswestry are, from left, leisure club manager Phil Parry, manager Sebastian Siddi and Chronicle associate editor Graham Breeze.



The Chronicle's Sue Austin and Marcus Evans get in training for the Lake Vyrnwy half marathon.

Ecologist advises on site's wildlife

MASSEIVE plans to redevelop Oswestry's livestock market should be carried out in an environmentally-friendly way, with bat boxes and a new pond for newts, the county's ecologist has recommended.

The site is set to be given over to a Morrison's supermarket, a cinema, and Frankie & Benny's and McDonald's restaurants.

But first Dr Sue Swales, Shropshire Council's ecologist, has made recommendations for the redevelopment of the Shrewsbury Road site.

She is calling for a new pond to replace one which will be filled in during the redevelopment, provision of bat roosting areas and for no demolition work to be carried out in bird nesting or bat hibernation periods.

Ecological surveys found smooth newts and common frogs living in one of the two ponds on the site.

Although no great crested newts were found, the ecologists said the pond was a potential habitat for the creatures, which are a protected species.

But as the pond is earmarked to be filled in, Dr Swales has recommended a condition be attached to any planning permission for a replacement wildlife pond to be created as soon as possible after work starts.

This would allow plants and animals to move over to the new pond and prevent the loss of habitat.

The ecologists have also recommended bat boxes are put up around the site after small numbers of brown long-eared bat droppings were found.

Dr Swales said: "The developer has agreed to incorporate several measures that would enhance the value of the site for bats. These include installing several bat boxes on mature trees or within the walls of new buildings and a purpose-built, night roost."

The event takes place on September 15 and the pair are already in training for the run.

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Sponsorship forms will be available from the Chronicle office at 14 Salop Road.

Pair to aid cause with charity run

CHIEF reporter Sue Austin and advertisement executive Marcus Evans will be running the Lake Vyrnwy Half Marathon in aid of our "Keeping Oswestry Alive" campaign.

The event takes place on September 15 and the pair are already in training for the run.

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Back, from left, British Ironworks managing director, Clive Knowles, and Joanne Jones, from the British Ironworks Centre. Front, from left, Lynsey Kilvert, from Hope House, and floral chairman of the Shrewsbury Flower Show, Briony Cooper. Picture Peter Flemmich.

Business has boosted hospice funds

FUNDS at a children's hospice have been boosted by £500 thanks to a link-up with a county business.

The cash was handed over to Hope House Children's Hospice at Morda near Oswestry by bosses at the British Ironwork Centre who have organised various fundraising events for this organisation.

Among the fundraising initiatives by the firm, which is based at Aston near Oswestry, was the sale of metal flowers and sculptures at Shrewsbury Flower Show where the company had a Hope House Garden.

The garden has been especially designed and can nor-

mally be found at the firm's base but it was taken to the flower show this year.

Proceeds from the sale of items placed in the garden have been passed on to Hope House Children's Hospice.

A similar Severn Hospice garden was also taken to the flower show and sale of items from that also raised £500.

The funding has also been handed over to Severn Hospice bosses.

Joanne Jones from the British Ironwork Centre said: "The sale of some of our metal flowers and other items went really well at the Shrewsbury Flower Show and helped us

increase how much we were able to hand over to the hospice. People have been very generous in giving money from the Hope Garden."

All the proceeds from the garden will be entirely donated to the hospice.

Managing director Clive Knowles said: "It was wonderful to be included within the Shrewsbury Flower Show.

"If we are privileged to be invited to take part next year we vow to at least double the funds raised. It's a privilege to support the hospice and we hope to increase our efforts during the course of the year, with further initiatives."

Grounds of ex-tax office to become affordable homes

THE grounds of Oswestry's former tax office will be turned into a new development of 14 affordable homes after controversial plans were approved by Shropshire Council.

Plans for the use of the land at Plas Ffynnon, 12-14 Middleton Road, received 25 objections from local residents and from Oswestry Town Council.

But the scheme has today been approved, paving the way for the gardens

by Pam Griffin

of the former tax office to be turned into an estate of affordable accommodation. The tax office was reduced from a fully staffed centre to a skeleton staff in 2007, and finally closed earlier this year.

A statement released by Shropshire Council's planning department said the scheme "represents an appropriate use of land" and "provides an opportunity to create much needed affordable housing in a sustainable location that is within a short walking distance of shops, service and other facilities."

The homes will include some bungalows and some houses, with a mixture of two and three bedrooms. They will be developed and managed by Wrekin Housing Trust.

A spokesman for Shropshire Council's affordable housing said: "The scheme will help to address the pressing need for affordable housing in the Oswestry area.

"There is affordable housing need, and corresponding strong demand, for bungalow accommodation within Oswestry.

"Shropshire HomePoint figures indicate that more than 100 of the households registered for affordable housing in the

town are aged over 55 years. Allocations will be made to people from the council's housing register waiting list seeking affordable rented accommodation in the town."

During the consultation period, a public meeting was held where some local residents raised concerns about traffic coming out of the site, which is just before a hump back bridge with limited visibility.

Oswestry Town Council had opposed the plans on road safety grounds, but Shropshire Council's highways department did not have any objections to the scheme.

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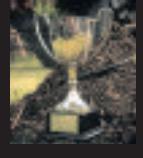
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Weekend of music to raise cash for under-threat venue

by Pam Griffin

A WEEKEND of live music is being organised to raise awareness and funds for the campaign to save a popular music venue in Oswestry.

The Save The Ironworks weekend will start at noon on Saturday and continue on Sunday.

Organiser Steve Gore, who runs the Ironworks in Church Street with his wife Roslyn, said the campaign has attracted a lot of support to date, with many local bands and artists offering to play during the weekend.

He said: "Our weekend of live music will have one of the best line-ups Shropshire will have seen in a very long time. Starting from midday on Saturday, the music will continue across the whole weekend in a bid to help us raise awareness of our Save The Ironworks campaign and invite people to help us keep the Ironworks alive by simply buying a brick."

"With acts such as Fight The Bear, Portlights, String, The Marionette, Thin Vision, Mark Morgan, Ed Crowley, Craig Edwards, The Innocent, Moana, Tombstone Billy, Gregory S. Davies Band, Dai Robs and Tom Stedman all confirmed and with many more still to be announced, this will undoubtedly rank amongst the finest weekends of music The Ironworks has ever seen."

Alan Price, a member of Oswestry band Tombstone Billy, which will be playing during the weekend, said he hoped people would support the campaign.

The gallery will be holding a natural selection-themed exhibition from September 9 to October 9 and plans to begin with a film screening on September 2 at 7pm.

A spokeswoman for the gallery said: "Selected films will be screened at a special film event FILM @ The Willow and throughout the Natural Selection exhibition on a show reel, as well as being promoted through the gallery's website."

To enter a film send a web link along with a brief synopsis and artist statement to willowgalleryoswestry@gmail.com

Film makers are sought for exhibition date

THE Willow Gallery in Oswestry is looking for film makers to contribute to an exhibition about our changing relationship with the natural world.

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Jackson-J makes a splash



Sandra Evans, Jackson-J with his father, Kevin and Helen Hughes from the League of Friends.

JACKSON-J EVANS has amazed organisers of a sponsored swim by completing four lengths of the pool – aged just two.

The tough youngster was the youngest participant in the Oswestry Orthopaedic Hospital League of Friends' annual sponsored swim.

Having completed only a width beforehand Jackson-J, from Oswestry, set off with his dad Kevin and granddad Steve alongside him for encouragement.

And he kept going for four lengths of the 17-metre pool. His feat was rewarded by raising £130 for the League of Friends funds.

Helen Hughes, from the League, said: "The little boy is just two-and-a-half and to have swum four

lengths is a wonderful achievement. Jackson-J was our youngest swimmer and we had several senior citizens who swam for us as well as people of all ages in between. We are very grateful to each one of them," Mrs Hughes said.

The pool was built with the help of funding from the League of Friends to replace the hospital's original swimming baths.

The therapeutic swimming pool was opened in August 2005 following large amounts of fundraising by the League of Friends and staff.

The Make A Splash appeal was the League of Friends' largest project ever at the hospital. It was started by a generous legacy of £403,000 from the late Samuel Hughes Pennell of Whitchurch.

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NEWS**Clutch of awards for food producers**

FOOD business across Shropshire have been praised for the great products they offer at an annual industry awards.

Maynard's Farm Shop in Weston under Redcastle near Wem, Brock Hall Farm near Bridgnorth, Ludlow Food Centre, Battlefield 1403 in Shrewsbury, Belton Cheese in Whitchurch and The Jammy Cow in Telford were among the winners at this year's national Great Taste Awards.

In all county businesses collected 36 gold stars in the awards, which have been run by The Guild of Fine Food since 1994.

There were almost 10,000 entries this year with 405 judges tasting food over 50 separate days.

They travelled to Ireland, London and Dorset as part of the judging programme.

Brock Hall Farm in Chelmarsh was the only Shropshire business to win a coveted three star gold award for its Dutch Mistress rind-washed goats cheese. It is made with milk from their own goats and was one of only 125 products to be given the top prize.

Maynard's Farm Shop, run by Rob Cunningham, won gold on three of their pork products, dry cured smoked black treacle bacon, traditional dry cured bacon and sweet cured cooked ham.

McFly will draw crowd from far and wide for park event



McFly will headline at next month's T-Live. The band has sold more than 10 million records worldwide.

TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL HAS ANNOUNCED SOME NEW AND EXCITING EVENTS THAT ARE COMING TO TELFORD.

while Loveable Rogues shot to fame in last year's Britain's Got Talent and have since played to audiences around the country.

There will also be a live set from Luminites, a talented foursome from London who recently shot to fame on Britain's Got Talent.

There will also be a chance to hear two local bands play.

MADISON And The Making have won their chance to perform at the event after winning Bandslam, a local Battle Of The Bands style event.

T-Live is just one part of the council's new

summer festival T-Party, a double weekend of celebration which is expected to attract more than 20,000 people.

Workshops

T-Party will begin with Rain or Shine Theatre Company performing Shakespeare's A Comedy Of Errors on the evening of Friday, August 30, followed by a day of activities in the park on Saturday, August 31.

The line up includes the Shaun the Sheep Championsheeps, storytellers, poets, craft and art workshops, puppets performance and street artists, with markets selling local



TV star Nadia Sawalha is heading to Shropshire.

food and produce. On Saturday evening, in the festival marquee, you will find an 'Electro Swing Ball' - a non-stop performance of live bands, swinging DJs, beautiful burlesque, circus performers, professional dancers and cabaret.

Sunday will be more of a relaxed affair with a picnic in the park, with a cake decorating competition and fancy dress to be judged by celebrity guest Nadia Sawalha.

Tickets are available from Telford Ice Rink and Oakengates Theatre @ The Place, online at www.theplacetelford.com or by calling the box office on (01952) 382382.

Deadline looms for planning comments

TIME is running out for Shropshire residents to have their say on the second phase of consultation over the county-wide planning policy.

The current stage of consultation on the Site Allocations and Management of Development - known as SAMDev - will end tomorrow (Friday).

The second phase has given Shropshire people the chance to have their say on Shropshire Council's preferred options, which were drawn up after the first phase of consultation during 2012.

After tomorrow's deadline, the council will take into account all comments received, and prepare the final version of the SAMDev plan later this year, before consideration by a planning inspector in 2014.

Mal Price, Shropshire Council's cabinet member responsible for planning, said: "The current consultation will be of the utmost value in shaping the future of the county's development and we will carefully consider all responses."

Shropshire Council has urged everyone that lives, works or visits Shropshire and has an interest in the developments to look at the plans and comment on them.

All documents relating to SAMDev can be found at shropshire.gov.uk/samdev

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FEATURE

Stay smart online to beat bullies

by Mike Woods

THEY'RE the online tools that are meant to bring us together. But increasingly, social media websites are gathering a reputation as often cruel and dangerous places.

The vast majority of social media use is harmless. Accounts with Facebook and Twitter are seen as status symbols to many youngsters, with large lists of friends or followers seen as signs of popularity.

Social media allows long lost friends who would otherwise have lost contact, to keep in touch. It allows the sharing of information almost instantaneously.

But some users take advantage of the openness of social media to direct vile abuse at users, or at worse to groom youngsters. Children have been known to share personal information, such as mobile phone numbers or addresses, with complete strangers.

Some see the online world as completely separate to the real world, unaware that activity online can have real and sometimes dangerous consequences.

Here we take a look at four major social media sites and examine the risks users can face from each.

Facebook

The most popular social media website in the Western world, Facebook was a catalyst for the online social revolution. With more than a billion users, for many people it is the essential tool for keeping in touch with friends.

But it has been at the centre of numerous controversies. Groups have been set up specifically to bully or intimidate individuals. Intimate pictures that have been privately gone viral, leading to ruined reputations and worse. Although Facebook states users must be at least 13, the reality is that the rule is almost impossible to enforce.

Often bullying will take place very publicly on Facebook, with open groups set up dedicated to demeaning users. Conversation histories are often visible to other users, so warning



Worried about what you see online? It's important people protect themselves from the risks of social media abuse.



Caroline Criado-Perez received threats.



Carolina Picchio fell victim to online bullies. unwanted or inappropriate messages. See facebook.com/safety



Suicide – Hannah Smith, 14.

But it has hit the headlines in recent weeks after a number of women, including campaigner Caroline Criado-Perez, were targeted with threats to rape or kill.

Private messages, called direct messages on Twitter, can only be sent by people who follow one another. Twitter has come under pressure to make it easier for users to report abuse. Many famous followers have taken to publicly shaming their abusers, known as trolls, by "re-tweeting" abusive messages. It is a way of sharing the abuse with many thousands of people, who then out the abusers as "trolls".

Tools like Tweetdeck (www.tweetdeck.com) allow easier reporting of abuse than Twitter's own site. See support.twitter.com

Instagram

Famed for the way it can transform even the dullest photo into a work of art, Instagram is hugely popular with mobile phone users who fancy themselves as budding photographers. Users can take images then select what type of "filter" to apply to them, giving them a retro or arty appearance.

Reports of abuse on Instagram, which has more than 100 million users, are few and far between. Most revolve around naked pictures being shared. See help.instagram.com

Ask.fm

Although relatively small compared to the giants that are Twitter and Facebook, Ask.fm has gathered a notorious reputation in recent weeks following the death of Hannah Smith, 14, from Leicestershire. The Latvian site, which is just three years old, works differently to other social networks in that users can invite questions from other users.

Hannah had used the site to seek advice following the return of her severe eczema. She was advised to "drink bleach" and kill herself by trolls on the website.

Ask.fm actually offers some of the clearest and most sensible advice to users.

It says: "Never share personal information like phone numbers, email addresses or home addresses on your page."

"If you receive a question that makes you uncomfortable for any reason, do not respond, tell a parent, guardian or other trusted adult and block the user who sent it. If the person keeps bothering you, report abuse." <http://ask.fm/about/safety>

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LETTERS**Place the link bus cuts blame correctly**

I DON'T intend to sound the trumpet for the group with whom I am affiliated or, indeed, sound like the PR man for Shropshire Council, but I think it is important to apportion the blame for the demise of the Shropshire Link (as well as other rural services) firmly where it belongs.

Responsibility lies firmly in the hands of the Cameron administration.

All local authorities have seen grants cut, however the cuts made to the local authority budgets nationally reflect disproportionately upon rural counties.

The well-worn glib phrase "we're all in it together" should be succeeded with "as long as you don't need services".

Shropshire Council has said it is working with the Community Transport groups throughout our county and some of my colleagues have been party to those discussions.

Community Transport is undoubtedly the organisation best suited to run local services.

Your community bus is available for use by the whole community regardless of age, or social group.

The Shropshire groups will do their best not to leave people behind but please be aware they are not miracle workers.

Transport will be available but the quality of the service depends on how well CT is funded.

With the funding on the table CT cannot simply take over the Shropshire link.

With that sobering thought in mind can I ask all concerned people to throw their weight behind their local Community Transport group.

Volunteer to help if possible. As important as funding is, the more volunteers CT has the better the services will be.

But also lobby your MP and your local councillor, because it's your friends and neighbours who will ultimately benefit from your intervention.

Don't forget, as 2015 approaches who put you in this situation in the first place.

KEITH I. WOOD
Whixall



ONE of the many fascinating photographs from the Facebook internet site, Remember Oswestry, is this one of New Street in Oswestry taken in the 1960s complete with a canopy over half of the street. The shop on the left hand corner is still there as is the old Grapes pub, now Gibsons. Past The Grapes on the left is the old Kings cinema, later renamed the Century, which went on to become a bingo hall before it was converted into the Wilkinson store that is there today. The brick building on the right was Oswestry's indoor market.

It's time for Labour to control NHS

THIS country has a long and torrid history of privatisation. No flotation of any public utility has proved beneficial to the general public; the real gains have always been the providers and financial institutions and shareholders.

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The NHS is collapsing before our very eyes, and the sheer political dogma of this Government is responsible.

It's time for Labour to get their past mistakes and take charge of an NHS they created and invested in.

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Wrong thing to tell the truth, it seems

IT really makes me wonder what is becoming of our country.

A judge who is a highly paid and respected person is condemned for making a judgment our political brethren didn't want to hear and likewise, an MP makes a comment about our foreign aid to certain countries, which we can ill afford, being mis-spent.

It seems that what I, and many others, were taught as children – not to tell lies or, conversely, tell the truth – is the wrong thing to do in our stupidly over-regulated and ridiculous politically correct world.

K J GLOVER
Montgomery
Powys

Complaint on judging at the show

WE attended the Oswestry Agricultural Show and on the whole found it to be the best show for several years.

The only criticism I can make is on the quality of the car judging, the outcome of which seemed very unfair.

Some cars, restored to a very high standard, were given a cursory glance while others with rust and paint bubbles seemed to be considered potential winners.

The Cortina which won first prize has won on several occasions but, in my opinion and that of many of our friends (who are classic car owners) there were several more worthy of a prize.

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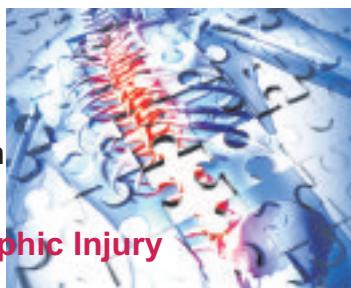
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A: No, there is a prescribed set of procedures which must be followed to evict tenants from a residential property. You should instruct a solicitor to issue a formal notice to the tenants giving the specified notice period required and providing full details of the allegations made against them. If the tenants have failed to vacate by the date of expiry of the notice, Court proceedings may then be issued for possession of the property. The claim will be listed for hearing before a District Judge, and provided that certain criteria are met, the Judge will make an order for possession. The tenants will usually be given time to vacate the property. If they fail to do so within that time, then a Warrant for Possession must be obtained, after which a County Court Bailiff will attend at the property and the tenants will be forcibly removed from it. It is very important to observe the legal requirements for recovering possession, as failure to do so may result in prosecution for unlawful eviction and a claim for compensation against you. It is recommended that you consult a solicitor to guide you through this tricky process.

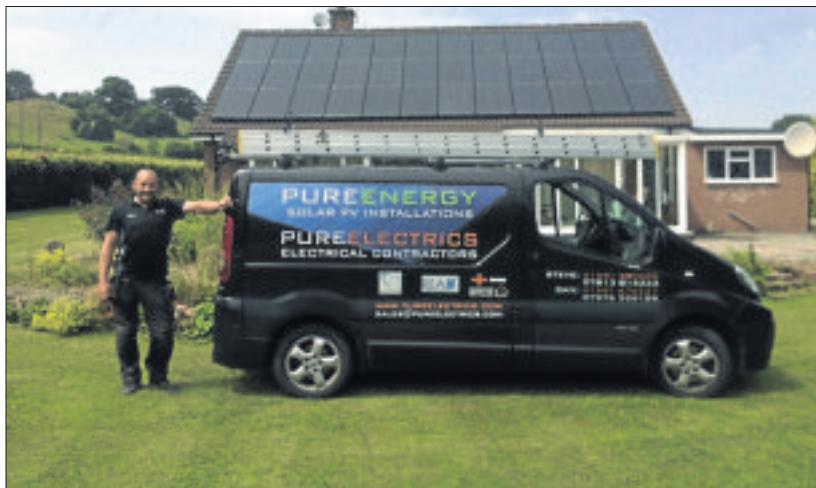
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NEWS

Town pupils ace exams as A-levels getting tougher

STUDENTS in Oswestry have celebrated success in their A-levels – as results showed the exams are getting tougher.

Some schools across Shropshire saw 100 per cent pass rates and many students discovered they had achieved the top A* grade. But national figures showed last week the proportion of A-levels awarded at least an A grade fell for the second year in a row.

In total, 26.3 per cent of entries scored an A or A* this year, down from 26.6 per cent in 2012 – a drop of 0.3 per cent.

It is believed to be the second biggest fall in the history of A-levels and comes after the A*-A pass rate fell for the first time in more than 20 years last year. The latest drop comes amid rising numbers of teenagers taking A-levels in “traditional” subjects like science and maths. Education experts said an increased focus on those subjects would fuel a slight drop in results.

Despite the fall in top grades, a record number of students have been accepted on university courses.

Oswestry School sixth formers were reaping the rewards of their hard work with almost 59 per cent of passes being A* or A or B grades. Most pupils met their expectations and several others surpassed them.

Headmaster, Douglas Robb said that he was, “delighted with the results and pleased that almost all leavers have met the grades set by their chosen university or college. It is extremely encouraging to see the sixth form, that has doubled in size in the last three years, now achieving such strong results. This is a great testament to staff and pupils alike.”

Moreton Hall commences its Centenary year celebrations with news of its highest marks ever at A-level.

“Amid government moves to create more rigorous A-level standards, it was believed that this year’s top grades would inevitably drop”, said Principal, Jonathan Forster. “So we are absolutely delighted to be able to report that our A-levels have exceeded expectation with 30 per cent of our grades at A* – the highest top marks we have ever recorded in the school’s 100 year history.”

The students achieved 100 per cent pass rate, with 62 per cent of grades at A*-A, 13 per cent of girls achieving 3 or more straight A’s and 54 per cent of girls achieving A* and A grades. Ninety four per cent of all grades were at A*-C.

Walford and North Shropshire College, which has campuses in Oswestry and Baschurch, celebrated a record-breaking 100 per cent pass rate, with nearly three quarters at the higher A* to C grades.

Andrew Tyley, college principal, said: “Not only have we improved on our excellent A-level pass rate this year, but we continue to see more students achieving higher grades. “The results are a tribute to the hard work of our students, the professionalism of our staff and the dedicated support of parents and guardians, all of whom can feel proud.”

Officials at Shropshire Council said initial results pointed towards 2013 being another year of high achievement across the county.

Congratulate

Councillor Ann Hartley, cabinet member for children’s services, said: “These results are the product of two years of hard work for our students.

“We appreciate how much they have to do to attain their results and would like to congratulate them all for their dedication and achievements.”

Carl Mincher head at **Llanfyllin High School**, said: “We are once again celebrating excellent A level results in Llanfyllin.

“Our warmest congratulations go out to all our students who have done so well. We are particularly pleased that all 84 students passed all of their exams, 90 per cent of entries attained the top A*-C grades (or equivalent) this year with 67 per cent of grades at A*-B and 41 per cent at A*-A.

“There was also a 100 per cent success rate for students entered for the Welsh Baccalaureate, whilst vocational subjects also enjoyed great success, 84 per cent of grades being at Distinction* or Distinction.”

He said that amongst the overall successes, there were several notable individual achievements: Two students gained 4 A* grades, whilst 10 per cent achieved A*-A grades across all their subjects.

“These top class results reflect the high expectation and aspirations of both staff and students and are a rich reward in themselves; we are delighted that so many of our students have reached their target grades and earned the reward of good university places including three places at Oxbridge, and some high quality apprenticeships.

“We are delighted to once again be able to celebrate the success of our 6th Form – we are very proud that our students achieve such outstanding results with such consistency.

“This is due to a combination of factors: the fact that we are able to offer the widest curriculum in the local authority in order to best meet students’ needs; the enthusiasm and commitment of our students; the hard work and dedication of our staff; and of course the support and encouragement of parents.”

Mr D Evans, head at the **Caerleon High School** said: “We are delighted with the excellent A level results gained by our students this year.

“All students achieved success at A level with a 99.3 per cent overall pass rate. The overall A*-B grades were 72.3 per cent and 89.9 per cent A*-C grades inclusive of the Welsh Baccalaureate.

“We are extremely proud of all our students who gained scholarships to various universities.

“All students were accepted for the courses of their choice, whilst others have secured employment and apprenticeship schemes.

The results are a testimony to the hard work, dedication and commitment of our staff and diligent students and are a just reward for their efforts.

“We are also indebted to all our parents for their continuing support.



Moreton Hall students Stefanie Leigh-Ford (1 A* and 2 As) and Amelia Adams Davies (3 A's).

Fundraisers for support group

THE Oswestry Macmillan Cancer Support group will be holding several fundraising events during the next two months.

Volunteers will be collecting for the charity in the town’s Sainsbury’s store tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday, then the group will be hosting a coffee morning at the Wynnstay Hotel, Church Street, Oswestry, on September 16 from 10am until noon.

Admission will be £1.50 to include coffee and cake, and there will be a prize draw, tombola and charity stalls.

The group will also host a quiz night at The Pedigree, Shrewsbury Road, Oswestry, on October 16 at 7.30pm for 7.45pm. Entry is £10 for a team of up to four people. Food will be available during the evening.

For more information on any of these events contact Margery James on (01691) 650334.

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Cyclists are set to go up against steam power

CYCLISTS will be putting themselves against steam power next month with the third Welshpool Rotary Club Race The Train event takes place.

Hundreds of cyclists are expected to descend on the town for the event on September 15.

It is the latest event to put the mid Wales town on the national cycling map.

Club spokesman Ewen Macleod said: "Welshpool is rapidly becoming the cycling capital of Mid Wales. The Tour of Britain has visited the town on two occasions, we have the annual canal triathlon, and now funding is being made available for cycle routes."

"Welshpool Rotary Club's race The Train is another part of the cycling jigsaw, and next month will be the third time we have arranged the event. It will be bigger and better than the preceding two, which were both very successful. Money raised will go towards Rotary charities and good causes."

The race is open to anyone over the age of 14, and the aim is to beat the 11.15 Welshpool & Llanfair Light Railway steam train to Llanfair Caereinion. The route will use mainly quiet roads, over a distance of approximately nine miles.

"Any reasonably fit person should be able to complete the ride, though entrants need to be aware that the route includes several hilly sections. Helmets are recommended."

Mr Macleod said: "It is not a cycle race, the aim is to beat the train from Welshpool to Llanfair. Any type of bike can be used, and participants will range from serious club cyclists to leisure riders."

The event will be fully marshalled, with stewards directing riders at each

Busy showtime for Emily



Emily Woodall, from Welshpool, was pictured with some Wensleydale sheep at Minsterley Show last weekend. Picture: Ian Sheppard.

junction. A sweeper vehicle with trailer will pick up any riders with mechanical problems. On arrival at Llanfair each cyclist will be given a drink and a chocolate bar, along with a certificate. Entry is just £6. Registration is at Raven Square station, Welshpool, from 10.15am-11am - turn up on the day. Contact Mr MacLeod on (01938) 556770 or 07778 903336.



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FEATURE AND NEWS**NEWS**
in brief**Family fun time
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A WEEKEND dedicated to water-based fun with the family will be held in Ellesmere from Friday until Monday.

It has been organised by the Natural England Meres and Mosses Landscape Partnership Scheme and will offer fishing in the Mere, build a raft, paddle a canoe and using nets to discover the creatures in the water.

There will also be indoor crafts and all activities are free.

For more information, visit the Ellesmere Boat-house or call the Meres and Mosses team on (01743) 284275.

Car boot sale to aid cause at shop

A CAR boot sale will be held in aid of charity at a supermarket in north Shropshire.

The car boot will be at Tesco in Ellesmere on bank holiday Monday, from 9am.

The sale will be in the store car park and each pitch costs £5.

Money raised will go to Diabetes UK.

To book a place people are asked to call (01939) 408807.

Motown magic

SOUL and Motown act The Commissars will perform on September 7 at Ellesmere Comrades Social Club. Doors open 7.30pm. Tickets £8.

Tragedy sparks mother's SADS fundraising campaign

WHEN Anne Wilson's daughter died in 1995 from an undiagnosed heart condition, she was determined that something good would come of it.

Sue Yost was just 28 when she died of Sudden Arrhythmic Death Syndrome – a genetic heart condition that can cause sudden death in young, apparently healthy people.

"Sue was serving in the army in Cyprus. She was very fit and did all sports, and she just died suddenly while she was doing lifesaving for children in the swimming pool," Anne, from Oswestry, said. "The army carries out a very intense investigation, but they couldn't find any cause."

"In 2009 I was watching television and I saw an interview with Anne Jolly, the co-founder of SADS UK, a charity that tries to raise awareness of SADS."

"It was just after the Boyzone singer Stephen Gately had died, and she was talking about SADS and that he had died because of his heart."

"She said her son had died at 16 in his sleep, and I thought Sue's death sounded very familiar to what Anne Jolly had gone through."

Backing

After listening to the interview, Anne, 73, decided to look into the work of SADS UK and began to raise funds for the charity.

She has also been backing their petition to make it obligatory for every secondary school to be equipped with an automated external defibrillator.

A defibrillator, or AED, is the only piece of equipment that will restore heart rhythm. It can restart the heart in an emergency situation and sustain life until the ambulance arrives.

But Anne also wanted to make more of a difference to local people, and in 2011 decided to start fundraising for an AED to be put into The Marches School in Oswestry – where Sue went to school in the early 1980s.

Anne said: "We raised funds with birthday parties, and we held a cream tea in

WOMEN OF SUBSTANCE

with Pam Griffin



Oswestry, which raised a large total. We raised enough to put a defibrillator at Marches last spring."

But despite reaching her target, Anne is still busy raising funds for the charity and working to provide more lifesaving equipment for schools in Oswestry.

"After last April, we held more cream teas and got donations from the town's two Rotary clubs. We've been able to put another defibrillator in the Marches' sports hall during this summer holiday so it'll be ready for when the new term starts," she said.

"We've had two very generous donations from the two Rotary clubs so now another defibrillator will be going to Walford & North Shropshire College in time for the new term."

"And Lakelands School in Ellesmere earlier this year raised their own funds to place a defibrillator in the school."

"It's getting more momentum in the area, and with the Chronicle's campaign



A lifesaving defibrillator is handed over to The Marches School head Sarah Longville donated by SADS UK by Anne Wilson and Margaret Clegg from the charity. In front are pupils James Duxbury and Charlotte Ozanne, with first aider Danny Ward, centre

now it's making people much more aware of the issue."

● SADS can be treated and deaths can be prevented. Warning signs of the disease include a family history of unexpected, unexplained sudden death under age 40;

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Lighting contract is won by town firm

OSWESTRY Town Council has awarded its new footway lighting contract to town company Highline Electrical.

It will last for three years with an option of a two-year extension.

Lights will no longer be checked on a weekly basis, and the company will rely on residents to contact the council if there are any problems.

During the period of the contract, the council hopes to convert all lights from the orange sodium fittings to LED lights that are cheaper and more economical to run.

Many lights will also be affected by Shropshire Council's plans to convert the majority of town lights to part night burning this year.

No change will be made to the lighting hours in the town centre, in CCTV areas or at busy junctions, but residential areas will have their lights turned off at midnight and these will then be turned on again at 5.30am.

Town mayor Chris Schofield said: "We are delighted that our maintenance contract has gone to a local company."

Property

YOUR WEEKLY GUIDE TO HOME BUYING AND LETTING



Three-bed cottage full of charm and character

Wddyn Cottage at Treflach, near Oswestry, is a superbly presented detached character cottage with off-road parking and a good-sized garden. On the market with Woodhead Estates for £279,950, it has a porch, entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, utility, master bedroom ensuite, two further bedrooms and a family bathroom. For further information contact Woodhead Estates on 01691 680044 or visit www.woodheadestates.com

Period farmhouse in three acres is ripe for a revamp

On sale with Parry Lowarch, Berghill House, in Babbins Wood, near Ellesmere, is an attractive period farmhouse set in good-sized gardens with two paddocks totalling about three acres.

In need of some modernisation, the detached property benefits from oil-fired central heating and partial double glazing, and is on the market at a guide price of £395,000.

It has a porch, reception hall, dining room, sitting

room, farmhouse-style kitchen, back kitchen/utility, cloakroom, workshop/playroom, master bedroom with dressing room and ensuite, two further bedrooms, a bathroom, two attic rooms/bedrooms, driveway and ample forecourt parking.

The main area of the gardens consists of a shaped lawn divided in two by a central gravelled pathway with pergola.

A brick paved patio leads to a further concreted area to the side of the house which is also flanked by extensive lawns. The gardens have great potential for further landscaping.

There is scope, subject to consents, to construct a new private roadway across the large paddock, said a spokesman for the selling agent.

For details call Parry Lowarch on 01743 343343 or visit the website www.parrylowarch.co.uk



Extended family home is beautifully presented

Number 20 Bentley Drive, Oswestry, is a well presented and extended four-bedroomed house on a modern development in a sought-after part of town.

The detached property is for sale through Town & Country at a guide price of £239,950.

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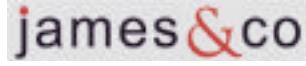
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A deceptively spacious two bedroom 1930's detached bungalow which has been extended to provide a most comfortable family home. The property is situated in a pleasant rural location down a quiet lane with countryside views.

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Greenways, Dovaston

Price: £185,000

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This detached cottage is nestled way within this popular village of St Martins.

- 3 Bedroom Cottage
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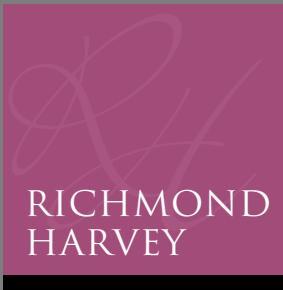
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**Balmoral Crescent**

WITH FIRST FLOOR ANNEXE INCLUDING A FOURTH BEDROOM/SITTING ROOM ENSUITE AND KITCHEN Richmond Harvey Properties are favoured with instructions to market this tastefully extended detached family house which enjoys a popular residential locality and briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Reception Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Garden Room, Kitchen, Utility, Cloakroom, Study/Play Room, First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Annex, Inner Hall; Bedroom Four/Sitting Room Ensuite and Kitchen which could be converted into a Fifth Bedroom if required. EPC RATING D.

Offers in the region of £199,950

Heritage Way

WITH CONSERVATORY A nicely presented and well planned modern detached family house which enjoys a pleasant cul-de-sac location within this recently constructed development. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory, Kitchen, Utility, Landing, Master Bedroom, Ensuite, Two Further Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing, Driveway providing ample off-street parking, Garage and Gardens. Viewing Fully Recommended. EPC RATING D.

Offer in the region of £159,950



S.T.C

Penybontfawr, Powys

THIS PLOT IS DUE FOR COMPLETION END OF JULY 2013 - EXCLUSIVE BRAND NEW DEVELOPMENT OF JUST 4 EXECUTIVE DETACHED HOMES 5 bed detached house which enjoys a delightful position within the picturesque village of Penybontfawr. AWAITING EPC

Asking Price £395,000

S.T.C

Whittington Road

POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY Enjoying a favoured edge of village location offering scope for modernisation with an extensive plot which offers scope for development subject to the necessary consents. EPC RATING E

Offers in the region of £194,950

**Iffon Fields, St Martins**

OFFERS IN EXCESS OF £250,000 Enjoying a pleasant cul-de-sac location a modern well presented and deceptively spacious 2 bed mid terraced property which needs to be viewed to appreciate the excellent accommodation. EPC RATING C.

Offers in Region of £113,950

Valley Court, Morda Road

PART EXCHANGE CONSIDERED Detached 5 bed detached Victorian residence which enjoys a truly fabulous edge of town position. The property offers a wealth of character features to also include an Annexe. EPC RATING E.

Guide Price £795,000

Y Ddol, Penybontfawr

3 bed det bungalow, enjoying a pleasant cul-de-sac location and delightful character views to the rear elevation. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Dining Room, Utility, Master Bedroom Ensuite, Oil Fired Central Heating, Oak PVC Double Glazing, Fascias and Soffits. EPC RATING E.

Offers in Region of £207,000

Victoria Road, Oswestry

Offering a range of character features and enjoying a much sought after location, Richmond Harvey Properties are delighted to release this most spacious period five bedroom detached family residence. EPC RATING D

Offers in Region of £365,000

**Dolywern, Llangollen**

Situated in the picture postcard Culver Valley, Richmond Harvey properties are delighted to release this character one bedroom apartment which is part of a conversion of the former water mill at Glyn Y Wern. EPC RATING E.

Offers in Region of £95,000

Fernhill Lane, Gobowen

A two bed modern detached bungalow which enjoys a pleasant location and briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Gas Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing. EPC RATING C.

Offers in Region of £110,000

Greenhill Bank, Criftins

A 4 bed room detached house to the market which enjoys a delightful rural position conveniently placed for Ellesmere, St Martins and Oswestry. The property briefly comprises: Porch, Entrance Hall, Living Room, Dining Room, Utility, Boiler Room, Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing. EPC RATING E

Offers in Region of £229,995

Roff Street, Oswestry

3 bedroom detached Victorian town house which has been improved over the years yet still retaining a wealth of character features. The property offers the discerning buyer the opportunity to purchase a truly desirable period residence comprising central town living EPC RATING D

Offers in Region of £239,950

**Llanarmon Dyffryn Ceiriog**

Spacious 3 bedroom end terraced property which could also be suitable for a holiday retreat. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Porch, Hall, Cloakroom, Open Plan Kitchen/Diner, Spacious Master Bedroom, PVC Double Glazing, Oil Fired Central Heating EPC RATING E.

Offers Over £135,000

Turners Lane, Llynclys

A 3 bedroom split level detached country house situated near to Llynclys Common Nature Reserve and is set in 0.5 acres or thereabouts of mature cottage style grounds. The property briefly comprises: Porch, Hall, Dining Room, Garden Room, Utility, Boiler Room, Central Heating, Workshop, PVC Double Glazing. EPC RATING D

Open to Offers £299,950

Tregarthen Lane, Pant

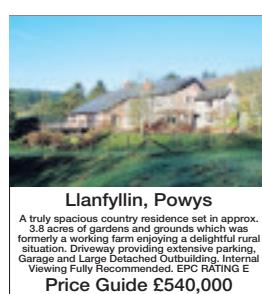
Impressive 4/5 bedroom detached period residence which comprises: High Spec Fitted Kitchen opening into a lovely snug room with log burner and dining room, Internal Staircase leading to the First Floor Landing, Double Glazing, PVC Double Glazing, Oil Fired Central Heating, Workshop, Dressing Area and Ensuite, Det. Double Garage. EPC RATING D

Price Guide £495,000



Semi-detached house which offers a convenient location. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Living Room, Sitting Room, Dining Room, Walk In Bay Window, Kitchen, Utility, Cloakroom, First Floor Landing, 3/4 Bedrooms, Bathroom, Rear Yard, Gas Fired Central Heating, NO CHAIN. EPC RATING D

Offers in Region of £164,995

**Derwen Green, Four Crosses**

3 bedroom link detached bungalow. The property comprises: Entrance Porch, Hallway, Re-Fitted Kitchen/Dining Room, Three Double Bedrooms, Re-Fitted Shower Room, One Double Bedroom, PVC Double Glazing, Driveway providing ample off-street parking, Garage and Gardens. Viewing Fully Recommended. EPC RATING D

Offers in Region of £204,000

Queens Meadow, Queens

4/5 bedroom modern executive detached house with Oil Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing, Alarm System, Brick Paved Driveway Providing Ample Off Road Parking, Integral Garage and Enclosed Rear Garden. EPC RATING D

Offers in Region of £259,950

Henlle Lane, Weston Rhyn

A character detached barn conversion which has been sympathetically renovated by the present owners. The property enjoys a delightful location over 3.8 acres of gardens and grounds. With flexible living and the potential for annexes or bed and breakfast facilities, EPC RATING C.

Offers in Region of £410,000



A truly spacious country residence set in approx. 3.8 acres of gardens and grounds which was formerly a working farm enjoying a delightful rural situation. Ample off street parking, Garage and Large Detached Outbuilding. Internal Viewing Fully Recommended. EPC RATING E

Price Guide £540,000

**Penybontfawr, Powys**

THIS PLOT COULD BE READY FOR OCCUPATION DURING SUMMER 2013 3 bed detached house situated in a quiet cul-de-sac location within the picturesque village of Penybontfawr. Agents Note: The photographs are for illustration purposes only showing a 4 bedroom house type. AWAITING EPC ASKING PRICE £349,950

The Hollies, Church Lane, St A 3 bedroom detached bungalow which benefits from an attached double garage and garden room extension. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Dining Room, Double Glazing where stated, Gas Fired Central Heating, EPC RATING D

Offers in Region of £229,995

Wern, Weston Rhyn

A 4 bedroom character detached family residence built circular 1803 which offers a wealth of character features throughout. The property contains itself to conversion into a self contained apartment subject to the necessary consents. The property enjoys delightful mature gardens and grounds. EPC RATING E

Offers in Region of £599,950

A most interesting conversion of an old Victorian railway station which offers a unique opportunity to purchase a spacious and flexible detached 4 bedroom cottage residence which enjoys extensive gardens and a detached garage. EPC RATING F.

Offers in Region of £304,950

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- To Be Sold at Auction
- 29th August 2013
- Renovation project

Guide price £80,000



- Detached
- Three bedrooms
- Garden

LLANMYNECH



- Modern Mid Mews House
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Off Road Parking

£115,000



- Gas Central Heating
- Part Upvc Glazing. EPC D
- Enclosed Rear Garden

GOBOWEN



- Modern Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Corner Plot Gardens

£169,950



- Driveway & Parking
- Conservatory, EPC D
- Upvc Double Glazing

ST MARTINS



- NO CHAIN
- Detached Family House
- Three Bedrooms & Ensuite

£162,000



- Victorian Conservatory
- Cul de Sac Location. EPC D
- Two Reception Rooms

PORTH-Y-WAEN



- Stamp Duty Paid on FAP
- Detached Dormer Bungalow
- Potential Annex

£275,000



- Three/Four Bedrooms
- Set in 0.3 Acres. EPC D
- Single Garage & Parking

TREGEIROG



- Three Bed Country Cottage
- Well Maintained
- Dating Back To 1857
- Landscaped Gardens. EPC F

£335,000



- Detached Cottage
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Potential for Extension
- Off Road Parking. EPC G

£157,000

LLANFYLLIN



- Detached Cottage
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Potential for Extension
- Off Road Parking. EPC G

£157,000

LLANRHAEDR YM



- No Chain
- End of Terrace House
- Three Bedrooms
- Off Road Parking. EPC D

£139,950

OSWESTRY



- Oswestry, G Fl'r Shop £300 p.c.m.
- Oswestry, 2 Bed First Floor Flat, £325 p.c.m.
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- Crewe Green, 3 Bed Bung £625 p.c.m.
- Pont Robert, 4 Bed Det £625 p.c.m.
- St Martins, 4 Bed Det £700 p.c.m.
- Pant, 3 Bed Det £700 p.c.m.
- Llanrhader, 4 Bed £1,200 p.c.m.
- Dudleston Heath, House + 6 Acres £1,850 p.c.m.

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£94,950

CHIRK



- Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Corner Plot. EPC D

£147,500

ST MARTINS



- NO CHAIN!!
- STAMP DUTY PAID!!!
- Detached House
- Four Bedrooms. EPC F.

£269,950

PANT



- Detached Bungalow
- Three Bedrooms
- Close to Nature Reserve
- Views to the Rear. EPC E

£169,950

PARK HALL



- Semi Detached House
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Large Rear Garden. EPC E
- Extending Approx 42metres

£179,950

KETLEY, TELFORD



- To Be Sold at Auction
- Modern Mews House
- Two Bedrooms



- Off-road Parking
- Superb Investment/first time buyer
- Cul-de-sac location

Guide price £80,000

LLANRHAEDR YM



- Detached Period Home
- Three Bedrooms. EPC E
- Oil Central Heating



- Majority Double Glazing
- Two Reception Rooms
- Traditional Village Location

£185,000

LLANFYLLIN



- Five Bedroom House
- Two Reception Rooms
- Double Glazing



- Town Centre Location
- Amenities Close to Hand
- Full of Character. EPC E

£140,000

GOBOWEN



- NO CHAIN!!
- Semi-Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms



- Front & Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking. EPC E
- Great Potential

Offers in the region of £130,000

MAESBURY MARSH



- Stamp Duty Incentive
- Detached Family Home
- Four Bedrooms



- Exclusive Development
- Double Garage & Parking
- Updated Interior. EPC F

£270,000

TETCHILL, ELLESMORE



- Detached Bungalow
- Four Bedrooms
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LOT 1	Aberfalls House, Abergwyngregyn Modernised detached six bedroom property. An excellent investment.	GUIDE PRICE: £240,000	LOT 22	St Mary's Street, Whitchurch Grade II listed building over three floors in need of improvement, inc. annexe.	GUIDE PRICE: £160,000
LOT 2	Albert Grove, Ruabon A three bed semi detached house. Gardens front & rear. GCH. DG.	GUIDE PRICE: £50,000	LOT 23	Tan y Rallt, Llandulas, Conway Approx 10.02 Acres of roadside agricultural pasture land.	GUIDE PRICE: £2,500
LOT 3	Barn at Culmington, Ludlow Requires modernisation a one bed terrace barn conversion. Parking.	GUIDE PRICE: £90,000	LOT 24	The Belfry, Tushingham Attention Developers: Barn conversion Grade II listed half timber slate.	GUIDE PRICE: £80,000
LOT 4	Browns Cottage, Cefn Mawr Attention Developers: Detached stone cottage character & Gardens.	GUIDE PRICE: £66,000	LOT 25	The Bungalow, Pentre Halkyn Detached bungalow with two bedrooms. Village location. GCH & DG.	GUIDE PRICE: £115,000
LOT 5	Cae Helyg Isaf, Pandy WITHDRAWN FROM AUCTION	GUIDE PRICE: N/A	LOT 26	Woodside Cottage, Cadole SOLD PRIOR TO AUCTION Mid row character cottage , landscaped gardens. GCH & DG.	GUIDE PRICE: N/A
LOT 6	Deganwy Beach, Deganwy Maisonette with open plan accommodation, three beds. GCH. DG.	GUIDE PRICE: £125,000	LOT 27	Land @ Seaward Gronant Land for sale with planning for a single dwelling.	GUIDE PRICE: £50,000
LOT 7	Derby Road, Wrexham An end terraced house, three beds & two reception. Gardens. GCH & DG.	GUIDE PRICE: £100,000	LOT 28	Ty Cerrig, Caer Eglwys, Rhos Double fronted two bedroom character stone cottage. Village location.	GUIDE PRICE: £70,000
LOT 8	Gardd Estyn, Wrexham Modern Semi detached house. Two reception. Three bed. GCH & DG.	GUIDE PRICE: £160,000	LOT 29	Llanerch Road East, Rhos-on-Sea Substantial four bedroom semi detached house.	GUIDE PRICE: £210,000
LOT 9	Gladwyn Road, Wrexham End terraced property, two reception, three beds. Gardens. GCH/DG.	GUIDE PRICE: £85,000	LOT 30	Wilson Avenue, Wrexham Modern first floor apartment, garden to the rear. GCH & DG.	GUIDE PRICE: £50,000
LOT 10	Hightown Road, Wrexham Attention Investors/ FTB. 2 Bed Mid terraced house. Courtyard.	GUIDE PRICE: £65,000	LOT 31	Stone Haven, Deeside A Modern three bed detached bungalow. Gardens/Parking. GCH & DG	GUIDE PRICE: £60,000
LOT 11	Land @ Ridley Wood, Holt SOLD PRIOR TO AUCTION Block of pasture land with field shelter extending to approx 2.7 acres.	GUIDE PRICE: N/A	LOT 32	Offa Street, Johnstown POSTPONED FROM AUCTION	GUIDE PRICE: £80,000
LOT 12	Llanasa Road, Gronant Attention Builders: Building plot with planning for large three bed house.	GUIDE PRICE: £35,000	LOT 33	Holland Park, Sandycroft Commercial modern light Industrial unit together with mezzanine.	GUIDE PRICE: £75,000
LOT 13	Manchester House, Caergwrle Attention Builders: Requiring updating a three storey terraced property.	GUIDE PRICE: £50,000	LOT 34	Victoria Pub, Pen Y Groes Public house with planning consent for a retail unit and three apartments.	GUIDE PRICE: £80,000
LOT 14	Manley Road, Wrexham Attention Developers: A link detached period property in need of renovation.	GUIDE PRICE: £150,000	LOT 35	Commercial Street, Caerphilly SOLD PRIOR TO AUCTION Commercial. Non trading chip shop/café with two double bed flat above.	GUIDE PRICE: N/A
LOT 15	Min Y Don, Old Colwyn Located close to the beach a three bed semi detached house. GCH & DG.	GUIDE PRICE: £75,000	LOT 36	St Davids Industrial Estate End terrace unit portal frame construction extending to 578 sq m (6221 sq ft)	GUIDE PRICE: £80,000
LOT 16	Mount Street, Bala A modern two bed terraced house. Rear Yard. DG.	GUIDE PRICE: £50,000	LOT 37	Trealau, High Street, Coedpoeth Converted stone & slate former meeting hall with well proportioned accommodation	GUIDE PRICE: £195,000
LOT 17	Ormonde Road, Chester Detached three bed bungalow with character. Gardens. Garage. Parking.	GUIDE PRICE: £190,000	LOT 38	Berne House, Abergele Attention Developers: A large four bed detached house. Planning for development	GUIDE PRICE: £115,000
LOT 18	Rhoslan, Penybontfawr Situated in a village location a detached two bed cottage of character.	GUIDE PRICE: £75,000	LOT 39	Bro Arran, Dolgellau Grade II character stone built mid terraced property. Three beds, en suite.	GUIDE PRICE: £125,000
LOT 19	Rock House, Garth, Llangollen Attention Investors: A six bedroom property versatile accommodation.	GUIDE PRICE: £200,000+	LOT 40	Land @ Brymbo 0.22 Acre with outline planning consent for two dwellings.	GUIDE PRICE: £40,000
LOT 20	Saracens Head, Llansanan A former village inn & hotel. Full licence & planning permission.	GUIDE PRICE: £95,000	LOT 41	Greenfields, Marine Parade, Barmouth A twelve bedroom mid terraced house ideal B & B subject to planning	GUIDE PRICE: £150,000
LOT 21	St James Place, Holywell An extended mid terraced property with GCH & DG.	GUIDE PRICE: £55,000	LOT TBC	This space could sell your property!!!!!!!!!!!!!! This space could sell your property!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	

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- A rare opportunity to purchase a block of grassland extending to 8.6 acres (3.48 ha) or thereabouts conveniently located next to the A5 Trunk road at Queens Head just outside the market town of Oswestry.
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Cottage Fields
St. Martins £229,995

● A rare opportunity to purchase a Grade II Listed Period Property believed to date from the early 17th Century situated in the charming hamlet of Great Ness with excellent views over the rolling North Shropshire countryside.

- The property has been sympathetically restored and extended by the current owners to create a spacious family home yet retaining a host of original features. The mature gardens are well stocked and offer the perfect back drop
- Lounge, Living Room, Dining Room, Kitchen, Utility and Shower Room on the Ground floor. 3 large bedrooms and a Family Bathroom, a further 2 Bedrooms and a Study.

● A well appointed 2 bedroom Mid-Terrace Property close to the centre of the town

- Lounge, well fitted Kitchen/Dining Room with patio doors leading to the garden,
- 2 Bedrooms and a fitted Bathroom
- Recently fitted decked area together with a lawned garden, garden shed & designated parking
- Gas C/H and D/G All fitted blinds, curtain poles & light fittings are included. EPC Rating

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- Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Conservatory
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- Garage and Workshop, Gardens
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NEW

Gobowen Road
Oswestry £134,995

NEW - NO CHAIN

Croeswylan Cres
Oswestry £144,995

NEW

Llwyn Road
Oswestry £109,995

● A deceptively spacious two bedroom Mid-Terrace property situated within walking distance of the town centre of Oswestry

- An open plan Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen, two Double Bedrooms and Bathroom
- Courtyard garden providing an ideal outdoor entertainment area together with a large storage shed
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- Entrance Porch, Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Fully Fitted Kitchen
- 2 Bedrooms and a Large Bathroom
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- A substantial commercial property
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- Extends to over 600 sq ft evenly split over two floors
- The property retains a host of original features

- In need of Modernisation
- Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen
- 2 Bed First Floor Bathrooms
- 3 Bed Second Floor Bedrooms
- Small Rear Courtyard with Parking Area and WC
- Character Features

- 2 bedroom end terrace
- Situated in Pontfaen in the Ceiriog Valley.
- Requires a full scheme of modernisation
- Single garage and parking to the rear
- EPC Rating G

- A spacious 3 bedroom semi-detached property
- Set in a large plot in the popular village of Whittington.
- In need of renovation works
- Lounge, Kitchen, Utility Room and Bath, 3 Beds separate WC
- EPC Rating D

- Modernised 2 bedroom Leashold apartment
- Situated in Babbinswood close to Oswestry
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- Detached Three Storey Town House
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- 4/5 Bedrooms. Bathroom
- Annexe (requiring completion)
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- Oil Central Heating
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 23

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AUCTION



5 Glanymorfa, Llangadfan

- Spacious Semi-Detached Family House.
- 2 Reception rooms, Kitchen, Utility.
- 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom. Oil Heating, DG.
- Gardens and Parking
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 52

 Guide Price £80,000 - £100,000
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AUCTION



11 Maes Y Ddawns, Llangadfan

- Modern Detached House
- 2 Reception rooms, Kitchen
- 4 Bedrooms, En-suite & Bathroom
- Integral Single Garage.
- Oil heating, DG, Gardens
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 67

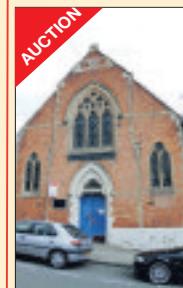
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Bethel Chapel, High St, Welshpool



- Redundant Chapel
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- Double Glazed. Vegetable Garden and lawn
- Stable Block with further amenity area. Extending to 1/3 of an Acre
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 31

£239,950

10 Glan Lledan, Welshpool

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- In Good Condition throughout
- Sitting Room, Kitchen, Bathroom
- Electric Heating, UPVC Double Glazing
- Ample parking to front and side
- Easily maintained rear garden area
- First Time Buyer/Investment
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 69

£125,000

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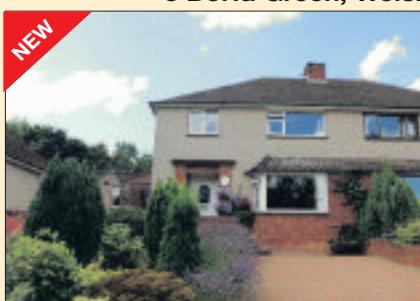


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NEW



5 Borfa Green, Welshpool

- Spacious 3 Bedroom Semi-Detached House
- Sitting & Dining Rooms. Kitchen with built-in oven and hob
- Bathroom. Ground Floor W.C. Walk-in Workshop, Gas Heating
- Double Glazed. Brick pavior frontage & mature shrub garden
- Paved patio & rear garden. Easy walking distance of the Town Centre
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 66

£137,500



- Spacious Semi-Detached Town Cottage
- 2 Receptions. Office Lobby, Kitchen, Conservatory
- First Floor Sitting Room/Bedroom
- Two Bathrooms
- Two Loft Bedrooms. Adjoining Workshop/Utility with W.C.
- Gas Fired Heating. Double Glazed primarily
- Enclosed paved seating area. Off road parking
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 3

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Meifod, Nr Welshpool

£399,000



Llanfair Caereinion, Welshpool

£650,000

A beautiful timber framed period former farmhouse situated in an idyllic location with gardens running down to a pool and views over surrounding fields and countryside. Set within 4.9 acres of land is this superb smallholding ideal for Equestrian use or from which to run a rural business. The brick farm buildings have planning permission for conversion into two residential dwellings. EPC: E

Welshpool: 01938 531000

A handsome Regency Villa set in about 3 acres of mature gardens and grounds. Parts of the property date back to the 17th Century and there are an abundance of character features including sash windows, original shutters, floorboards, exposed beams and a selection of interesting fireplaces. The house consists of 5 bedrooms (two with en-suites) and a family bathroom on the first floor with spacious and flexible accommodation on the ground floor, whilst being complemented by very attractive mature gardens which surround the house. The property has a range of outbuildings which include a large stone and timber barn which would be suitable for conversion subject to the necessary consents. Located under a mile from the centre of Llanfair Caereinion and the towns amenities, whilst the larger centres of Welshpool, Newtown and Shrewsbury are about 10 miles, 11.5 miles and 31 miles respectively.

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Llynyblodwel, Oswestry
A detached Grade II Listed country property, which has been renovated over recent years retaining the character and features of the original building. Entrance hall with cloak lobby, sitting room having the original stone fire surround, dining room, living room, kitchen, utility room, gallery, laundry room, mezzanine landing/sitting area, three double bedrooms with en-suite shower rooms, mezzanine landing/sitting area, three double bedrooms with en-suite bathroom/shower rooms. PVC DG, propane gas CH, triple carport, easily maintained gardens and beyond. EPC Band: G. For further information contact 01691 655334.

Guide Price: £450,000 2858



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Guide Price: £425,000 2991



VASTLY REDUCED

Llangedwyn, Oswestry
An attractive and extremely spacious, detached barn conversion, with uPVC DG, electric space heating, wood burner, double garage, gardens and small paddock amounting in all to over one acre or thereabouts. Entrance hall, main reception room, sitting room, study, sun room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, laundry room, downstairs bedroom with en-suite shower room, mezzanine landing/sitting area, three double bedrooms with en-suite bathroom/shower rooms. PVC DG, propane gas CH, triple carport, easily maintained gardens, ample parking. EPC Band: E

Guide Price: £410,000 2744



Babbinswood, Nr Ellesmere
An attractive farmhouse of great charm and character in need of some modernisation with great potential to form a first class family property, standing in good sized gardens with two paddocks adjacent to the garden, in all extending to approximately three acres. Hall, dining room, sitting room, conservatory, kitchen, back kitchen/utility room, cloakroom, workshop/playroom, master bedroom, dressing room, en-suite, bedroom 2, bedroom 3, bathroom, attic room 1/bedroom 4, attic room 2/bedroom 5. EPC Band: G

Guide Price: £395,000



Maesbrook, Oswestry
A delightful character country property dating back to early 1800's renovated to a very high standard, situated in a secluded location with views to the Wymore and Morda Brook. Set in a secluded rural location, the property benefits from a double garage and privacy. Breakfast kitchen, pantry, utility room, conservatory, living room, study, dining room, four double bedrooms, family bathroom. Garden extends to approx 1/3 of an acre, ample parking space, double garage with loft space and engine pit. EPC Band: D. For further details contact 01691 655334.

Guide Price: £365,000 3547



Maesbrook, Oswestry
A delightful period property set in 1.75 acres of gardens, established vegetable plots and paddocks. Originally a small detached period cottage, having been considerably extended to provide an extremely spacious family home. It occupies a delightful rural position adjoining open countryside in a quiet location about three quarters of a mile down a country lane yet easily accessible to the main road within a few minutes. Entrance porch, hall, main reception hall, family room/study, sitting room, very large kitchen/dining room, utility room, ground floor shower room, four bedrooms plus an office/fifth bedroom and good size family bathroom. Ample brick and timber store sheds, Dutch barn and garage. EPC Band: F

Guide Price: £395,000 3545



Llangedwyn, Oswestry
The property is situated on the B4380 road which runs between Oswestry and Bala in the Tanat Valley renowned for its natural beauty. The Tanat Valley is on the Wales/England border and the Berwyn mountain range is within easy travelling distance. It is ideally located for local trade and tourist traffic also to the town and provides licensed accommodation on the ground and first floor, along with private living accommodation. EPC Band: F. Contact Agents on 01691 655334.

Guide Price: £325,000



Llanerfyl, Welshpool
An extremely spacious semi-detached house, having LP gas CH, DG, double garage, and very large garden grounds amounting in all to approx 0.75 acres. Hall, living room, study, dining room, fitted kitchen, utility room, conservatory, four bedrooms and three bath/shower rooms. It occupies a very pleasant position in the village, set back from the road and adjoining countryside, situated approx four miles west of Llanfair Caereinion, and about 14 miles from Welshpool. EPC Band: E

Guide Price: £320,000 2913



Crickheath, Oswestry
A charming semi-detached house, built at the same time as the Montgomery Canal, with spacious well-maintained accommodation offering original cottage features. It occupies tranquil location and rural aspect make this an ideal rural retreat. There is a useful garden store, garage and greenhouses, together with a summerhouse, the garden is lawned and paved areas, surrounded with shrubs and trees. Hall, sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, three bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom. EPC Band: F. For further details contact 01691 655334.

Guide Price: £295,000



Abermule, Montgomery
A detached family house set in nearly 1/3 of an acre of grounds with oil CH, UPVC DG, large integral garage, ample parking and lawned gardens. Occupying a truly delightful semi-rural position overlooking the Shropshire hills, views over its own large gardens. Reception hall, living room, large kitchen/dining room, three good sized bedrooms, family bathroom. On the lower level is a large utility room, study/office, garage and access to extremely useful and spacious underfloor storage. EPC Band: E

Guide Price: £259,950 3026



Llandrinio, Llanymynech
An attractive and deceptively spacious detached dormer style house with oil CH, upPVC DG, ample parking, garage and lawns. Occupying a very convenient position in a village, about 12 miles from Shrewsbury. Reception hall, living room, dining room, recently fitted luxury kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, ground floor bedroom and bathroom, landing, three further good size bedrooms, and separate WC. EPC Band: E

Guide Price: £232,500 2910



Llanfair Caereinion
A double fronted, period town house occupying a central location in Llanfair Caereinion within seconds walk of all local amenities. Oil CH, uPVC DG, and double glazed windows. The property is set in a very pleasant and convenient cul-de-sac position close to the centre of Pant, within walking distance of a range of local amenities and being about 15 miles from Shrewsbury, and 6 miles from Oswestry. Porch, hall, living room, dining room, bedroom 2, two further bedrooms, conservatory and newly fitted bathroom. EPC Band: D

Guide Price: £195,000 2876



Brooklyn Road, Pant
An attractive, deceptively spacious, semi-detached bungalow having oil fired CH, DG, large garage and double garage, garden to front and rear, and occupies a very pleasant and convenient cul-de-sac position close to the centre of Pant, within walking distance of a range of local amenities and being about 15 miles from Shrewsbury, and 6 miles from Oswestry. Porch, hall, living room, dining room, bedroom 2, two further bedrooms, conservatory and newly fitted bathroom. EPC Band: D

Guide Price: £175,000 3131



Lilac Grove, Oswestry
A well appointed and hugely extended, end of terrace house, uPVC DG, gas CH, and very large rear garden. It occupies a position of great convenience with no nearby disturbance, local amenities. The accommodation must be viewed to appreciate the size of this property; hall, large through living room, separate snug/family room, large L-shaped kitchen/dining room, three double bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom, separate WC. EPC Band: D

Guide Price: £139,999 2941



Kinnerley, Oswestry
A range of barns for conversion situated in the hamlet of Kynaston, approx 13 miles north west of Shrewsbury. The barns are offered for sale as a whole or separately if required. The site has PP for three units, one detached three bedroom conversion, one detached four bedroom conversion and an adjoining single storey one bedroom barn which potentially could be used as an ancillary unit or granny annexe to the larger barn. Small paddock available by separate negotiation.

Guide Price: £250,000 3542



BUILDING PLOT

Church Road, Welshpool
An excellent opportunity to acquire a town centre dwelling plot with outline planning consent to construct a dwelling, with parking and turning, and rear garden area. The plot provides the opportunity to create an individually designed dwelling within the town's conservation area, within walking distance of all the town centres amenities and facilities. For further details contact 01938 554499.

Guide Price: POA 3128



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Guide Price: £5,000



Melverley Green
An opportunity to acquire a block of accommodation land which incorporates an area of permanent pasture land, offered for sale in two lots. Lot 1 extends to 2.38 hectares (5.89 acres) or thereabouts. Lot 2 extends to 5.95 hectares (14.75 acres) or thereabouts. The land is currently used for grazing of sheep and cattle. It is situated within the hamlet of Melverley Green which is situated between Oswestry and Shrewsbury. It comprises two well enclosed parcels offering level grazing with good road access to both parcels. For further details contact 01691 655334.

Guide Price: £5,000



Criggon, Llandriniog
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Cardeston, Ford
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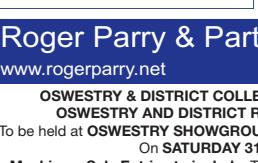


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£150,000

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£210,000

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- Close Care Residential Bungalow
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- Large Bathroom
- Conservatory
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£239,000

- Detached House Occupying Pleasant Rural Position
- Opportunity for further improvement
- G/FCH
- Secondary D/G
- Sitting Room & Living Room
- Kitchen
- 3 Good Sized Bedrooms
- Garage
- Good Sized Garden
- EPC Band D
- JJD805

OSWESTRY



£267,500

- Det. house with purpose built granny annexe close to town shops
- D/G, C/H
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- 3 Bedrooms
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NEWS**Tastes of the world on offer at market**

ON Friday and Saturday August 30 and 31, stallholders from various European countries will be setting up continental market in Oswestry's New Street, Cross Street and Bailey Street.

A selection of stalls are coming from Germany, Poland, France, England, Turkey and Italy.

They will be displaying food and craft products from 9am until 5pm.

The traders will be displaying a wide variety of products, including two of the range French Saucissons (salami), spicy Spanish Chorizo, Hungarian Chimney cakes, flavoured French mustards, Italian biscuits, Polish jewellery, Italian leather belts, organic soap, real Greek Olives, unpasteurised French cheeses, Turkish Delight, Toulouse Sausages, French Black Pudding, Mergez, Baklava, crepes, bread and pastries, garden furniture and more.

Mayor of Oswestry Councillor Chris Schofield said: "The number of great events throughout the year in Oswestry is fantastic to see. The food festival brings thousands of visitors into the town and it is hoped the continental market will do the same. Not to mention the approaching Heritage weekend, Apple Day, Bonfire Night and Christmas Live."

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Angry carers jeer councillors over plan to axe day centres

COUNCILLORS rejected plans for a cross-party commission on the future of adult day care centres in Shropshire – because they said it would increase the anxiety for users.

Amid jeers from the gallery, Shropshire Council's health and adult care scrutiny committee voted against Labour and Liberal Democrat plans for the commission on Monday, despite a meeting where members of the public said their views had not been taken into account.

The council is to close four adult day care centres – two in Shrewsbury and two more in Oswestry once a replacement had been built – as well as reviewing the future of others, as it moves towards giving adults in social care personal budgets, which they can spend on a package of care and activities to meet their needs.

To laughter and cries of "What a load of rubbish" from the public gallery, the meeting was told some alternatives to day care were fishing, football and gym membership.

Labour group leader Alan Mosley called for a commission to look at the plans again amid concerns over the consultation period and the impact on people.

He said: "We have got a document which talks about consultation with 600 people, and we have got a room full of people which includes some of those 600 and they don't feel consulted in the slightest.

She said: "I think the way

"These proposals are designed primarily to save £1.5 million.

"Why are we rushing this through? The decision has been taken by one person in a private meeting and the start of the holiday period."

Jennifer Lee, who cares for her sister, was applauded by the packed public gallery when she said: "There has been a lack of consultation. Neither I nor any other carers have had the chance to participate. This can only mean the consultation period was flawed.

"I wasn't told about day centres closing. If we'd had an inkling that they were closing you would have had more of a response from carers. You are trying to pass the buck so we have to pay out more ourselves."

Liberal Democrat councillor Viv Parry left the meeting early because of an appointment, but fired a parting shot at committee chairman Gerald Dakin, saying not enough notification had been given.

He said: "I think the way



Protesters fighting the closure of day centres in Shropshire gathered at Shirehall in Shrewsbury earlier this week.

you're treating these people is disgusting."

And Councillor Mansel Williams said something had gone "radically wrong" when people were laying bare their private lives at a council meeting.

He said: "It is outrageous and I think people need answers."

But scrutiny committee chairman Gerald Dakin said: "I am surprised that councillors have been surprised at the timing of this

decision. We have been talking about it for two years."

"If the commission had happened 12 months ago we could have done something with it. But to do it at the end of the process would just lead to more anxiety."

Stephen Chandler, director of adult social care who prepared the report on day centres, insisted there had been "a very public and detailed" consultation.

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Headteacher Brendan Wignall said: "I am delighted for our pupils who have done so well in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme. They have certainly worked very hard."

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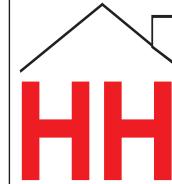
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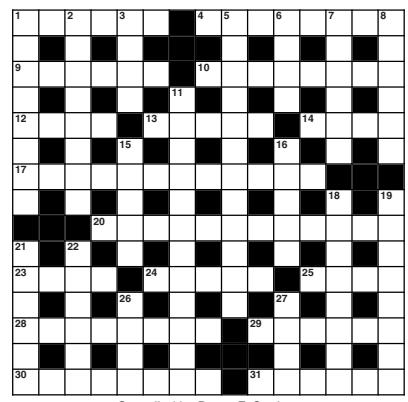
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- Give applause in excess (4,4)
- Look on the present age as a burden (4)
- Minor economies that attract some interest (5,7)
- Silently fastened in the current (4)
- They act diplomatically so envy is disguised (6)
- Leave on desert island in the shade (6)
- Initial repetition is only repetition after all (12)
- An ambassador needs skill and compassion (5)
- Audible bit of tranquillity! (5)
- It's put on for service (8)
- Lacking bite? (8)
- Girl's pen had broken (6)
- A holiday is needed to make it safe (6)
- Farm butter (4)
- Set up a capital arrangement (4)

DOWN

- Long striding gift is natural for it (8)
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NEWS**Advice to relatives of those in care**

AN expert mental health lawyer from Oswestry has urged families to seek advice about relatives in care and nursing homes after flaws in the Mental Capacity Act were exposed.

John Lancaster, a partner with GHP Legal, has urged the families of vulnerable people who they believe are being unlawfully detained to urgently seek specialist legal advice. It follows a report to a House of Lords select committee this week which claimed tens of thousands of vulnerable people are being detained unlawfully due to the complexity of the Mental Capacity Act.

Mr Lancaster said he was not at all surprised by the evidence presented to the committee by lawyers.

"The MCA is seriously flawed in many ways, and there is a general lack of awareness among people as to who should be assessing whether a Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards order is required," he said.

"As a result a great many vulnerable people are being unlawfully deprived of their liberty and to boot the Court of Protection, which exists to deal with cases concerning people who do not have the mental capacity to make their own decisions, is inflexible, costly and so far removed from the experience of most family carers that few know how to turn to it."

Scarecrows are lining up for the annual village show

SCARECROWS have been popping up around the village of Llanfechain this week in preparation for the annual village show.

While competitions from cookery to crafts, flowers, fruit and veg will take place at the show on Bank Holiday Monday (August 26), there will also be a prize for the best scarecrow that appears in gardens and fields across the area.

One of the organisers, June Row, said the open scarecrow competition was very popular. "Any scarecrow from within or from outside the parish can be entered, as long as it appears somewhere in Llanfechain by 9am today (Thursday)," she said.

by Graham Breeze

Film's stars at Q&A session

THE stars and director of revenge thriller Communion will taking place in a question and answer session at a screening of the film in Oswestry on Saturday.

The film will be showing at The Attingham theatre off the Bailey Head on August 24 at 7.30pm as part of the 'Out Of The Box - Adventures in Cinema' series funded through Shropshire Screen.

Communion is the fourth and latest feature film from multi award-winning British film maker Greg Hall and his filmmaking collective Broke But Making Films.

This screening is the first on a UK tour of selected venues following the film's premiere and theatrical run in London.

Afterwards, Greg Hall, Paul Marlon and producer Becky Finlay-Hall will be answering questions from the audience, and they will host a Free Masterclass for Young Filmmakers at The Centre on Oak Street in the afternoon. Tickets cost £3 for adults and £2 for under 16s. Book on 0845 2500517.

The theme for the show this year will be learning new skills, a village project that is being supported by grant funding from Awards for all Wales.

Mrs Row said: "The project 'Learning Skills Old and New' is being supported by local crematoria, the Airband group, Coleg Powys, and Llanfechain Memorial Hall. There will be workshops in crafts and computer skills on the day of the show and follow-up sessions at Llanfechain Memorial Hall in the weeks following."

"Computer classes with a tutor from Coleg Powys begin on September 23 at 9am and on the evening of September 25 for an evening session with other dates planned for the future."

Attractions at the show include headline band, Whalebone, Jester Jack, and circus workshops, storytelling, fire and fun.

There will be the bird Close Encounters of the Feathered Kind, Organ Rosie, archery, fly fishing and much more.

Mrs Row added: "The Dog Show, which draws in a large and varied entry, begins at 12 midday. Llanfechain Show schedules have interesting competitions in cookery, crafts, art and photography, floral art and course horticulture. New this year is a cup for the best exhibit in the open craft competition, given by Llanfechain WI."

"This year's president, Trebor Jones, has supported the show for many years. Trebor will also judge the classic car competition."

Fact-finding trip for traders



Jools Payne, Tim Morris, John Waine and Heather Noble flying the flag in Skipton for Oswestry Chamber Of Commerce.

THE Oswestry Chamber of Commerce executive team visited Skipton in Yorkshire on a fact-finding mission.

The aim was to discover how the historic Yorkshire town has created a powerful identity and strong sense of place that is positively impacting upon the local economy.

The personal invitation to the chamber's executive came from Craven District Council CEO Paul Shevlin – a former chief executive of Oswestry Borough Council. Heather Noble, Paul Wiseman, Jools Payne and John

Waine made the trip and were joined by Tim Morris from Booka Bookshop.

Oswestry Chamber chair Heather Noble, said: "Paul was a great host. We were given great insight into how the two-tier authority manages its key assets like the high street, its vibrant market and many festivals and the important role played by the town's business leaders."

The chamber will deliver a presentation on the trip during the Oswestry Connections business fair on October 2.

Lottery windfall hope for villages

ONE million pounds of lottery funding could be used to improve academic qualifications and help businesses in three villages, it has been announced.

The funding will be spent over 10 years in the villages of Gobowen, St Martins and Weston Rhyn.

A project team set up to look at how the Big Local lottery cash should be spent has set out its draft objectives.

These include making sure that, within 10 years, levels of academic and professional qualification at all ages in the villages match or exceed the national average.

The team also wants to help promote new businesses.

Nick Heard, chairman of the delivery group, said: "At the moment we're still in the development stage of the programme.

"We have to develop our community vision and then write a plan which will set out how the £1 million will be put to use in our communities."

"None of the £1m will be available until the community plan has been approved by the Local Trust."

The other aims include providing more activities for young people.

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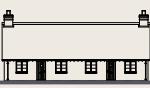
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All past and present members are welcome to join the celebrations. Tickets are available from Daphne on (01686) 640216 or Lynsey on (01686) 650957.

Castle is hosting car boot sale day

A CAR boot sale will be held at Whittington Castle on Monday from 10am to 1pm.

Admission is £5 per car with public admission free. Refreshments will be available on site.

No trade stands are allowed and cars will not be admitted before 9am.

For more information call (01691) 662500.

Council surgery

OSWESTRY Town Councillor Paul Milner will be holding a drop-in surgery at the town's library on August 31 from 11am until noon. Residents living in the town's Victoria ward are welcome to drop in to raise concerns or ask questions.

Direct rail link to capital vital for tourist economy

by David Burrows

WE all know the slogan, even if we don't remember the advert. Let the train take the strain.

The idea was that whether it was for business or pleasure, near or far, travelling by train was the way to go.

But times have changed and the lack of a direct rail link between Shropshire and London means that, for many, taking the train has become something of a pain.

To get to the nation's capital one has to make the choice to change trains or drive to a station which does offer a direct service.

It is a situation which many feel is not good enough and is why the *Chronicle's* sister paper the *Shropshire Star* – with the cross-party backing of the region's MPs – launched a petition calling on the Government and Network Rail to allow a direct link to be established. The petition has been signed by more than 1,700 people who say the service would be good for business and tourism, as well as making it easier to visit family members. Here we look at some of the reasons those who have signed the petition have given.

Richard Morris, from Shrewsbury, said: "I usually drive to Wolverhampton or Crewe, not because it's the better option but rather that the train service between Shrewsbury and Wolverhampton is pathetic."

"I am sick and tired of the train service not running on time, the excuses range from drivers starting the service late because they were on a break or simply that the train is full and I cannot get on."

"I remember many times getting the train from Telford where I work to then make my way to London, many trains would come and go with the train manager of each opening one set of doors at a time saying that they would



A direct link to London on one of Virgin's Pendolino trains would certainly ease the pain for passengers.

let people off but would not let more than one or two new passengers back on to the train for health and safety reasons."

"Things have not improved much as I was on the same train only last week, had to stand the entire way like on a tube train in London's rush hour."

"I am in full support of the idea, no more waiting in the rain and snow for the third or fourth train which might have capacity for me to squeeze on."

Shropshire commuters who do business in London are in no doubt about the benefits a direct service would bring.

Keith Davies, also from Shrewsbury, added: "The rail link between Shrewsbury, Telford and London is vital the continued success of Shropshire business."

"Shropshire is not the backwater that Network Rail and the regulator think it is. How would these organisations react if one of south eastern towns decided to close its railway stations and move all its resources into to road transport?"

"The answer is that they would immediately be lobbying the Government for its reinstatement as its revenue stream would be severely disrupted."

"Shropshire, I believe, is seen as a soft touch when it comes to controversial decisions."

The petition has also attracted international attention. Darryl Keller from Cleveland, Ohio, said: "On my last trip to Shropshire, my wife and I wanted to spend a couple days in London. It would be so much more convenient if we could have done so with a direct rail."

"I would imagine many from London would like to spend some time in beautiful Shropshire – if it were easier to get there."

• To sign the petition, log on to www.shropshirestar.com/rail

One in 10 workers runs own business

AROUND one in 10 Shropshire workers is running their own business.

That means there are 10,603 self-employed people in the county, representing just over 10 per cent of the total workforce of 102,416.

That's higher than the national figures which suggest around eight per cent – or 2.5 million – of the total workforce is a home business owner.

The stats come from a new study of Government data by insurance company Direct Line for Business.

In Telford & Wrekin the figures match the national trend with 5,853 home businesses in a workforce of 77,290. However in south Shropshire, home business owners are more than double the national average at 16 per cent.

Those behind the study say a large majority of these home businesses operate in industries such as travel, marketing, recruitment and legal. But the figures also highlight emerging markets in catering, photography, hairdressing and arts & crafts.

Jazz Gakhal, head of Direct Line for Business, said: "Self-employment has been on the rise for several years and our research now shows that a great number of these people work for themselves from home, including in Shropshire."

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Show marks milestone with daring attractions

THIS year Llanfair Caereinon & District Show celebrates its 40th event on Saturday, August 31, at Llysun Farm, Llanerfyl, by kind permission of the Tudor family.

Our 2013 Show President Cadwan Evans, a local businessman, has always taken an interest in the local community. He became a member of the show committee in the early 1970s, has attended every show since and is a past chairman of the society. He has been a member of Llanfair Town Council for more than 30 years and dedicated his time to support the local community.

Cadwan, or "Cad" as he is known, grew up in the Banwy Valley, not too far from our show field of today. In 1973 he married Maureen and moved to Llanfair Caereinon. In 1974 together they started their own business C & M Transport and have served the agricultural community for many years.

Mr Evans said: "I feel it is a great honour to be president this year as we celebrate the 40th show since it was restarted in 1973. There are a lot of people who do a tremendous amount of hard work behind the scenes to ensure every show is a success and I invite you all to attend this family show packed full with a variety of entertainment."

As one of the largest shows in Montgomeryshire situated in an idyllic setting in the Banwy Valley the show always attracts large crowds and a high standard of exhibitors. As there will be no grand parade this year the main ring will be full of entertainment all day. The show field will open to the public at 9.30am and during the morning the judging of horses, livestock and the main marquee will take place. From 12.30pm in the main ring we will



Look out for the thrilling displays at the show.

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see judging of the supreme championship and the decorated heavy horses leading on to the exciting heats of donkey derby with local jockeys.

The Broke FMX bike team will give a thrilling display followed by the elegance of carriage driving. The Montgomeryshire Vintage Club will bring memories of the past and the terrier racing will be a delight to watch.

Around the show field you will be able to watch the skills of the Wye Valley Axe Team, visit the dog show, poultry marquee and the rural craft marquee full of local craft and food exhibitors and trade stands.

Music will be provided by Newtown

Silver Band and a circus skills workshop, face painting, nail art and Punch and Judy will entertain the youngsters in the village green area.

On show day a free bus service will leave Watergate Street car park on the hour between 11am and 2pm, travelling through Melinyyddol on route to the show field and return from 5pm onwards. There will also be a bus running from the entrance of Foel Caravan Park at 12.30pm calling at Banw Community Centre and Canna Office.

Admission on show day is adults £7, pensioners £6 and children £3. Or buy in advance from the NFU Office or Gwen Buckley on (01938) 810366 and Liz Harding (01938) 556483.

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For further information contact show secretary

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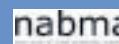
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Just The Right Thing! in Oswestry has collections of ladies wear in the form of wedding/occasion wear, smart casual, business suits, evening wear and accessories.

Our new collection is now in stock, with some lovely casual wear by Pomodoro, Simon Jeffery, Critical Mass and Tina Taylor. Fabulous wedding outfits by Gina Bacconi, Glitz, NassC, Nati Jimenez, and a beautiful collection of occasion wear dresses, evening and cocktail wear by Jasmine.

We are also proud to announce another new label to our collection from Spain - Roberto Naldi - which will arrive in January for next spring/summer. This is a collection of beautiful outfits with an outstanding affordable quality.

We also now stock the fabulous



Find exclusive collections at Just The Right Thing! in Oswestry.

British label, Hunters and Gatherers, which offers a wide range in beautiful jersey, crepe and satin day and occasion wear dresses.

Our brand new accessories are all also now in stock, with some beautiful designs in hats, fascinators wraps and pashminas to update your winter wardrobe. New handbags and jewellery will complement your outfit beautifully or they will make lovely gifts.

Established in April 2004, Just The Right Thing! is proud to offer a unique collection of wardrobe essentials for today's women in sizes 8-26.

Our aim is to offer an outfit for any occasion, for any size and for any age. Our collections are classic, timeless, elegant, unique and affordable.

We stock a wide variety in ladies

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Just The Right Thing! specialises in one-off outfits for those important occasions to ensure that no-one turns up in the same outfit. Gift vouchers are available. We offer a warm welcome, a friendly atmosphere, and an honest opinion with our personal service to all our customers. So why not look through our website and pop into our store and see if you can find Just The Right Thing! for you.

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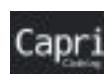
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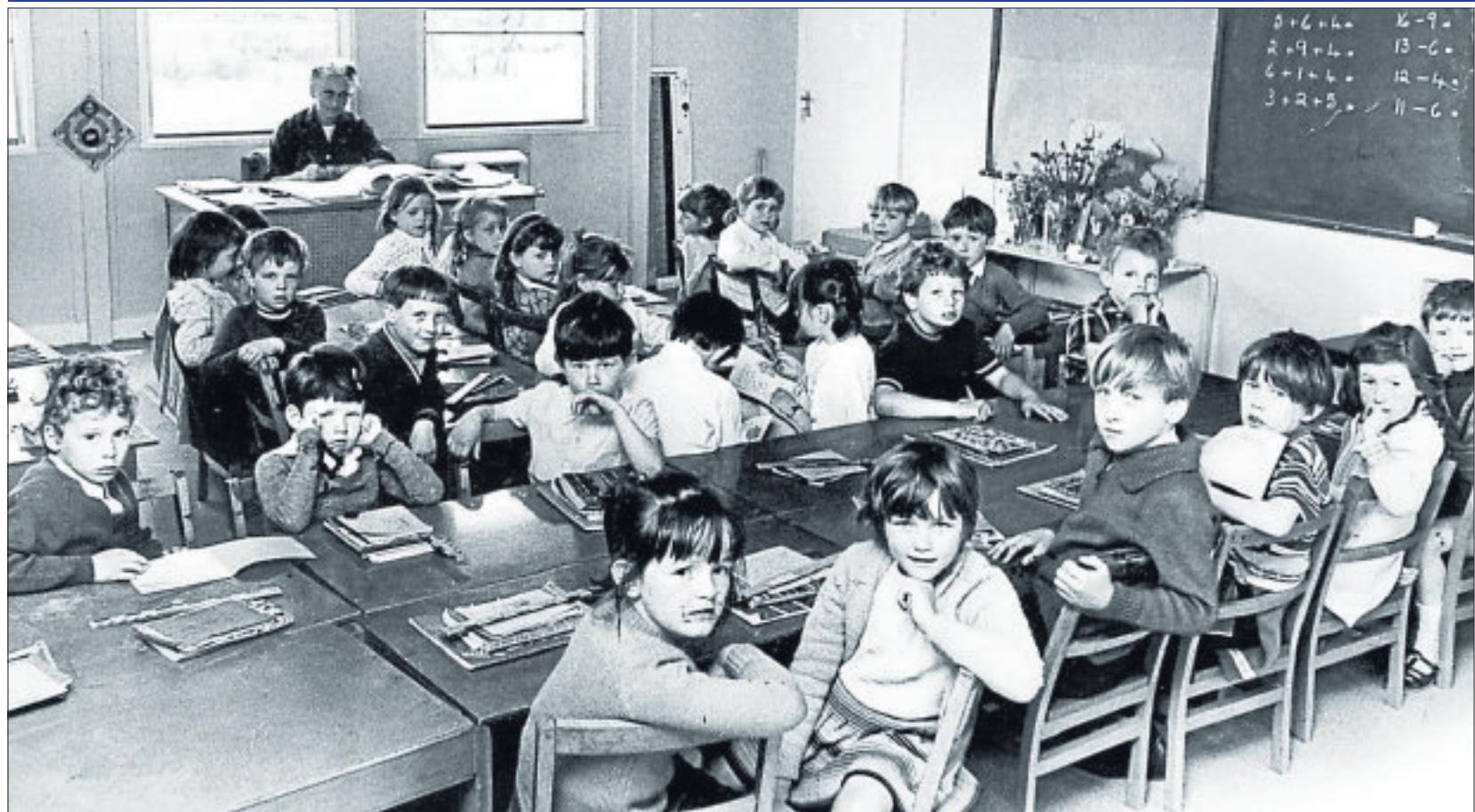
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Even the legendary Ford Sierra Cosworth RS500 would be left with a rear view of the

Mountune-upgraded Focus ST, which can sprint from 0-62mph in less than six seconds – more than half second faster than the standard Focus ST.

Ford is also offering an official Mountune upgrade for the Fiesta ST, which will increase maximum power to 215PS, enabling 0-62mph acceleration in 6.7sec, compared with 6.9sec on the factory model – faster than a £35,865 Mercedes-Benz SLK 200 AMG Sport.

The Mountune upgrades boost both Focus ST and Fiesta ST in-gear acceleration too. Peak Focus ST torque, heightened to 400Nm,

improves 31-62mph acceleration in fourth gear by 0.8sec to 4.9sec, while peak Fiesta ST torque, enhanced to 320Nm, improves 31-62mph acceleration in fourth gear by 0.7sec to 5.7sec.

Any of the UK's 120 Mountune-appointed Ford dealers will be able to fit the upgrade – in under 60 minutes for the Fiesta ST, and less than 90 minutes for the Focus ST. Both are fully compatible with the Ford warranty, meaning Mountune modified vehicles continue to be covered against mechanical failure for three years or 60,000 miles from the original date of purchase.

"Ford's ST models already deliver blistering performance – for these Mountune upgrades we have squeezed out every last drop of fun and served it on a plate to the fans that are as passionate about performance as we are," said Tyrone Johnson, Ford Team RS engineering manager.

The Focus ST Mountune upgrade includes a cast alloy inlet duct (silver or black powder coat finish), high-flow air filter element, larger alloy intercooler (silver or black powder coat finish) and unique calibration. The Fiesta ST version has a re-modelled air box base with secondary

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The Focus ST Mountune upgrade, at £1,225 for silver and £1,275 for black, still means the boosted Focus costs less than a standard Volkswagen Golf GTi. The Fiesta ST Mountune upgrade costs £599, with the finished Fiesta costing less than both the standard Peugeot 208 GTi and Renault Clio 200 Turbo.

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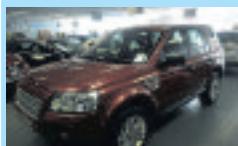
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PREMIER DIVISION						
	P	W	L	A	BatBwl	Pts
Shrewsbury	17	5	2	1	15	294
Brockhampton	17	5	4	3	18	239
Wem	17	5	4	3	24	223
Kidderminster Vic.	17	5	4	3	16	203
Knowle & Dring	17	4	5	2	20	213
West Brom Dmth.	17	5	6	2	17	161
Himley	17	5	6	2	21	195
Barn Green	17	5	7	2	28	188
Wolverhampton	17	5	7	2	28	188
Berkswell	17	3	8	0	25	174
Walmerley	17	3	8	2	24	169
Wombourne	17	2	9	2	21	133

DIVISION 2						
	P	W	L	A	BatBwl	Pts
Kenilworth Wdnes.	17	7	1	0	8	150
Dorridge	17	8	4	0	12	271
Smeathwick	17	3	3	1	15	242
Wellington	17	3	3	2	12	240
Barnards Green	17	2	6	1	25	239
Shifnal	17	4	5	0	18	234
Bromsgrove	17	3	10	0	27	182
Old Hill	17	2	6	1	27	180
Moseley	17	4	8	1	33	167
Leamington Spa	17	3	9	0	33	147
Worcester Nmds.	17	9	1	0	25	137
Fordhouses	17	2	9	1	26	136

DIVISION 3						
	P	W	L	A	BatBwl	Pts
Penbridge	17	11	1	0	8	317
Hawthorne	17	9	3	0	13	293
Old Elizabethans	17	5	4	1	20	238
Stourbridge	17	4	6	0	18	237
Eastnor	17	3	5	1	14	236
Wincle	17	3	5	1	17	229
Halesowen	17	9	0	0	20	226
Water Orton	17	1	9	0	12	211
Stratford-upon-Avon	17	3	3	0	21	182
Atcock	17	5	8	0	28	179
Coventry & NW	17	2	8	2	22	174
Fordhouses	17	3	2	1	33	163

2ND PREMIER DIVISION						
	P	W	L	A	BatBwl	Pts
Knowle & Bridge	17	12	1	1	6	316
Bromsgrove	17	6	4	0	24	248
Old Hill	17	3	6	0	17	227
Wolverhampton	17	4	7	1	15	204
Walmerley	17	5	6	0	25	202
Shrewsbury	17	6	7	1	14	202
Himley	17	4	5	2	28	187
Leamington Spa	17	9	0	0	23	186
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SPORT**Nine-goal United off to Welsh Cup flyer**

Scott Bright who scored twice for Oswestry Town

LLANFAIR UNITED made a storming start to the season as they swept aside visiting Kerry 9-1 in the Welsh Cup preliminary round.

Newly promoted to the Spar Mid Wales League division one this term, Rhys Stephens' side proved too hot to handle as Geraint Jones and Dan Jones both scored hat-tricks to keep their flag flying in the cup in emphatic style.

Paul Griffiths scored twice, with Andrew Hughes also on the scoresheet.

However, it was the end of the road for LLANFYLLIN who made an early cup exit when crashing out 7-0 at Presteigne.

The hosts won at a canter through a Nick Evans brace, while Joe Maygothling, Sam Maygothling, Callum Mat-thews, Adam Farmer and Danny Ives also found the net.

Winners

It's been a good start to the season for WATERLOO ROVERS who launched their Spar Mid Wales League division one campaign with a 1-0 success over Aberaeron at Maesydre.

Scott scoring the game's only goal.

A few days earlier, the Rovers lifted the Spar Mid Wales League Summer Cup with a 6-0 hammering of Llanidloes Town with Charlie Proctor and Ricky Litchfield both scoring twice.

MONTGOMERY, who lost the bulk of their side as well as manager Clive McNamee during the close season, were beaten 3-0 at Builth Wells on the opening day while Bow Street won 2-1 at Dolgellau.

A strike from Tom Reynolds late in the first half proved enough for WELSHPOOL TOWN to open their season with a 1-0 win at Llansantffraid Village.

In the day's only division two action, Knighton Town were 5-3 winners at home to Rhosgoch.

Injury-time penalty earns Rhyn a draw

AN injury time penalty from Chris Bishop earned Weston Rhyn their first point of the season in the Mercian Regional League premier division with a 3-3 home draw with local rivals Morda United.

Morda, who themselves won their first outing of the season a few days before with a last-gasp penalty of their own, led three times through Dean Graham (5), Paul Hughes (28) and Tom Coulson (73).

But Rhyn showed plenty of battling qualities to earn parity. Bishop (15) and Aaron Mancini (66) keeping them in the hunt before Bishop got his second of the night from the spot two minutes into injury time.

The game got off to the best possible start for Morda as Ian Heathcock's pace got him free to deliver the perfect cross to the back post where Graham had a simple finish.

Morda continued to look dangerous but the home side levelled a first time when Bishop found some space 25 yards from goal and chipped a fine effort into the net.

Buoyed by this reply, Rhyn upped the ante, but the visitors restored their advantage when Sam Litchfield, returning to his old club for the first time, burst from midfield and won a free kick 30 yards from goal. Paul Hughes stepped up and smashed his free kick into the far corner.

Weston Rhyn, managed by former Morda reserve player Matt Owen and including eight ex-Morda players, hit back again after

Town maintain great start to the season

FC Oswestry Town maintained their flying start in the Mercian Regional League division one as they made it three wins out of three with a 4-0 home success against Shawbury United Reserves at Park Hall.

After first week victories against Shrewsbury United (8-2) and neighbours Oswestry Villa (2-1), Town – formerly Oswestry Lions – kept up the good work against a youthful Shawbury side to set the early pace in the division.

After a tight start, Scott Bright opened the scoring on the half hour when getting on the end of a Gaz Windsor corner, and Graham Dyke soon made it 2-0 on the stroke of half time with a hard, low drive from edge of box after being set up by new winger Stu Johnson.

The second half saw the Town have much more possession and soon Bright snatched

his second goal after some great work again from Windsor down the left.

Dyke then completed the scoring when rising above the Shawbury defence to head into the far corner from a terrific inswinging free kick from Joe Evans on the right.

It was another solid performance from Town with the Shawbury keeper having a fine game to stop both Bright and Dyke securing hat-tricks.

Manager Nick Maguire was pleased with some great performances including a solid show from centre back Rob Shore and keeper Broc Dawson, while Spanish starlet Ricardo Galan also came off the bench to dazzle with his skill and pace.

On Saturday, Town travel away to Brown Clee hoping to continue their early season form.

A few days before, FC Oswestry Town

took the local bragging rights as they overcame fellow newcomers Oswestry Villa 2-1 at Park Hall.

Villa entered the game in high spirits but left with heads down after one of the poorest performances since the club was founded.

Town, who had enough chances to have emerged more emphatic winners, started the brighter as they moved the ball around well on the slick Venue pitch.

Upright

They went close when Bright rattled the inside of the post, but they were not to be denied just moments later when captain Ollie Jones smashed home from close range.

The hosts dominated the first half but were denied further goals as Ben Williams and Bright both struck the upright as wingers Johnson and Graeme Kirkham caused the Villa back line all sorts of prob-

lems. The Villa, looking all at sea, were glad to see the half time whistle, and the appearance of Steve Tomkins and Zak Manhire added more bite to the visitors after the break without really testing goal keeper Dawson.

However, their renewed efforts were rewarded when, midway through the second half, striker Dave Hartshorn pounced on a weak back pass to round Dawson a slot the ball in to an empty net.

The score did not remain level for long as winger Johnson's pace and skill enabled him to squirm in to the box to set up Bright to lash home the winner.

OSWESTRY VILLA reserves are still looking for their first points in division two after going down 5-1 against AFC Wellington, following on from their narrow 3-2 home loss to Shrewsbury United reserves.

Youth policy paying off for Rangers with victory

ELLESmere RANGERS director of football Alan Davis has insisted their youth policy is paying off after they knocked Gornal out of the FA Cup.

Rangers won 2-1 in the extra preliminary round on Saturday despite failing to produce their best football.

Sean Jennings and Steve O'Reilly's penalty won it, despite hosts Gornal pulling a goal back 10 minutes from time.

Davis said: "It keeps us going and the money side of it is good. We are not trying to kid ourselves, we have gone with a young squad and it's going to take time and games and we're going to get beaten because we're young."

"But it's a policy we've got and we're going to bring our young under-18s back, they've done well so far."

Jennings got the first after 10 minutes when he finished into the bottom corner from 18 yards after a neat move.

O'Reilly doubled the lead from the spot after substitute Dan Graham was brought down just minutes after replacing Josh Brown.

Davis added: "We did outplay them. The pitch didn't suit us well, the grass was long so didn't suit our foot-ball."

"We didn't play that well and I put it down to the grass. The ball wouldn't roll, it was holding up but it was a good performance even if we didn't play like we can."

Threadbare St Martins hammered

AFTER a promising start to the season, a depleted St Martins crashed 10-1 at Hereford side Lads Club in the West Midlands League division one.

The writing was on wall before kick off with the Saints travelling to the league new boys with a threadbare squad, with Karl Bailey playing despite injury and boss Ryan Butcher on the bench.

Despite conceding an early goal, they held firm after that before a flurry of goals late in the first half saw the visitors go into the interval 5-1 down, centre half Steve Pugh getting their reply.

With Bailey forced off at half time, the Saints battled hard after the break but were breached at regular intervals on a day they will want to forget.

They travel to Wem on Saturday, with keeper Jake Northwood still out with cricketing commitments, but they hope to have a number of last week's unavailable players back.

FOOTBALL
by John Bridgwater

as he prepares for Saturday's trip to Penrhyncoch.

LLANRHAEDR, who have lived to fight another season in the Cymru Alliance, opened with a 2-0 loss in a windswept affair at Holyhead Hotspur.

The villagers battled hard in the gale after being forced into a defensive reshuffle with both centre halves missing.

Despite this, they more than held their own in the first half with Mike Jordan and Iwan Matthews both denied by the home keeper as they broke through on goal.

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However, it was Holyhead who took the lead through Dion Evans on the stroke of half time and, although Josh Wood scraped the post for the visitors with a 25-yarder in the second period, Jay Gibbs sealed the Anglesey side's win 15 minutes from time.

"The lads were a bit flat before the game as we had to make a lot of changes at the back, but they were superb and could take a lot of confidence from the performance," said manager Mario Iaquinta whose side host Flint on Saturday.

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Some of the Legia Warsaw fans during the first round tie at Park Hall

LEGIA Warsaw have been fined 30,000 euros (£25,700) and ordered a partial stadium closure for their next European home game because of racist behaviour from supporters during the Champions League tie with The New Saints.

The UEFA sanction relates to incidents during matches with the Welsh Premier champions on July 17 and 24 and will be imposed during Legia's play-off against Steaua Bucharest.

The keeper will need to be aged nine prior to August, 31 to become eligible and if currently playing in a local youth league, then the club would be very interested in hearing from them with regards to joining the Welsh champions.

For further details, contact Scott Ruscoe (head of youth development) on 07811-286439 or 01691-684840.

● TNS under-14s went down 7-2 to Wrexham Schoolboys, with their replies coming from Ricky Williams and James Lloyd.

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taking on Bala at the Park Hall stadium five days before Christmas.

● The Derwen New Saints have entered the Ability Counts, Three Counties Adult Male football league with their first fixture on Sunday, September 29 at AFC Telford.

● THE New Saints Academy are searching for a goalkeeper to join the under 10s for the forthcoming season.

Legia, the Polish champions, won the tie with The New Saints 4-1 on aggregate in the second qualifying round and then defeated Norwegian side Molde in the next round to book a play-off meeting with Romanian club Steaua.

For the second leg on August 27, Legia have been ordered to close the north stand of their Stadion Wojska Polskiego.

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Teams are looking to earn their first points

AFTER their opening day defeats, Guilsfield and Llanrhedr will both be chasing their first Hwys Gray Cymru Alliament points of the season on Saturday.

The Gulls succumbed 2-0 at home to fancied Conwy Borough in their season's opener, but new boss Matt Burton is in upbeat mood ahead of this weekend's trip to Penrhyncoch.

"We've got a big enough squad but we were without six or seven lads on Saturday, one was suspended, a couple were injured and the others on holiday, so a couple of reserves helped me out," he said.

"Even so, there were plenty of positives and if Conwy are one of the best sides in the league, then there is no need to fear anyone."

LLANRHEADR will also be hoping to get off the mark when they host Flint Town United on Saturday.

The villagers took four points off their rivals last term with a win and a draw, so manager Mario Iaquinta will be hoping for more of the same.

Despite last week's 2-0 loss at rainswept Holyhead Hotspur, Iaquinta was more than satisfied with the opening day performance.

Holyhead finished fifth last season, are an improving team, so a lot of people thought we were going to get smashed," he said. "We had to shuffle our team with our two centre halves missing, but the lads were brilliant and came away with a lot of confidence."

Mark Griffiths made an excellent debut in his unaccustomed role as left back while former Llansantffraid Village forward Iwan Matthews also impressed.

Llanrhedr still have selection problems with Rob Fox and Emrys Roberts both missing from the defence, so George Hughes and Dan Kelly are again likely to fill the breach.

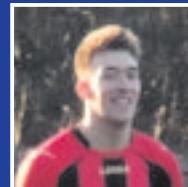
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Skipper wants weekend double

HIGH flying Oswestry aim to maintain their promotion pursuit in the Birmingham Cricket League division two when they embark on a Bank Holiday double.

First up, the league leaders face their longest journey of the season to Herefordshire club Eastnor on Saturday before heading to promotion rivals Stourbridge on Monday.

And victories in those two games would put the Morda Road men needing just one win from their remaining three outings to secure promotion – and a possible title.

"Whether you're at the top or bottom, August Bank Holiday can make or break your season," said Oswestry captain Mark Robinson who hopes to field an unchanged line-up.

"After the start we had, with three defeats in the first four games, to be in this position now has been a brilliant effort."

Despite being frustrated by the wet weather last week that saw their clash against Coventry and North Warwickshire abandoned half way, the Morda Road still remain well placed in pole position with five games remaining.

Innings

They had to settle for nine points from last week's action, and with second-placed Harborne winning, Robinson's side saw their lead cut to 23 points at the top.

However, the teams in third and fourth places, Old Elizabethans and Stourbridge, both lost to teams in the bottom three – which means Oswestry

now need 56 points from their last five games to be certain of promotion.

Warrick Fynn (79) dominated the early part of the Oswestry innings against Coventry and North Warwickshire, sharing a stand of 87 for the third wicket with Joe Carrasco (33).

But the real momentum came towards the end of the innings when Dean Suter cracked 56no – becoming the seventh batsman to pass a half century this term – and Ryan Fynn 37 as Oswestry smashed 110 runs of their last 10 overs.

Their efforts helped the hosts finish on 275-7 in their 50 overs but hopes of forcing victory in the straight "win or lose" affair were dashed when the heavens opened.

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Welshpool see a good batting display ruined by the weather

RAIN put a dampener on Welshpool's hopes of climbing to safety in the Shropshire Cricket League division one after their home clash with Lilleshall was abandoned.

It was a frustrating outcome for the Maesydre side who, having posted a challenging 200-4 off 50 overs, were well on top as they had reduced Lilleshall to 13-3 off 10 overs before steady rain forced an early end.

The result means that Welshpool now find themselves 14 points adrift in the bottom two after Powys rivals and rival relegation contenders Montgomery secured a shock win over high flying Much Wenlock.

At Maesydre, Pool found their form with the bat as Jon Birch finished 87 not out to lay the foundations, while fellow opener Dave Jones made 21. Lilleshall were reeling in reply, with their first three batsman

shot out for ducks with a wicket apiece for Tom Anderson and Sam Birch, along with a runout.

However, the weather had the final word, keeping Welshpool deep in the relegation mirage with four games remaining. This Saturday, they face a must-win clash at home to rock bottom Condover.

MONTGOMERY, lying third from bottom, boosted their hopes of survival in division one with a surprising two-wicket win over runaway leaders Much Wenlock.

Batting first, they compiled 176-7 in 50 overs, with Aaron Ruff-cock hitting 52 and Charlie Clinton 44, before dismissing their rivals for 174 in a tense finish. Richard Powell taking 5-42 Monty now bid to build on the timely victory when they head to lowly rivals Pontesbury on Saturday.

A winning start but boss warns his players

DESPITE a winning start to the season, Welshpool Town boss Russell Cadwallader is not getting too carried away.

A goal from Tom Reynolds five minutes before half time proved enough for an experienced Lilywhites side to open their season with a 1-0 win at Llansantffraid Village.

Cadwallader himself had to play in goal with young keeper Harry Wilkinson away, and he admits injury and unavailability will make it a tough first week that sees four games in 10 days.

"We showed some good quality," he said. "But it's early days, there's going to be no quick fix, and there will be ups and downs this season."

The games are coming thick and fast with Pool looking to maintain their winning start at Four Crosses last night (Wed).

On Saturday, they then take a makeshift side to Berriew before visiting Dyfrfryn Banw on Monday.

WATERLOO ROVERS were hoping to maintain their good start last night (Wed) at home to newly promoted Llansantffraid United.

On Saturday, Llanfair are again on the road to Tywyn Bryncrug, while Montgomery head to Bow Street and Four Crosses welcome Aberaeron. Elsewhere, Dyfrfryn Banw – looking for improved fortunes this term – travel to new boys Llandrindod Wells, while Llansantffraid host Builth Wells.

TNS OUT TO MAKE UP FOR LOST TIME

THE season may be late starting, but The New Saints aim to make up for lost time when they launch the defence of the Welsh Premier crown with two games in three days.

It has been a frustrating wait with the Welsh Premier league getting underway at least a week behind most other major leagues – and Saints director of football Carl Darlington admits it's not an ideal situation.

The champions start home to Port Talbot on Saturday (3.45pm) in front of the live S4C cameras, then visit Prestatyn on Bank Holiday Monday before heading to Abergavenny Town the following Friday.

"It's not great starting a week behind the Premier League and two weeks behind the Championship as leagues should be starting around the same time, but the decision was made and we've just got to get on with it," said Darlington.

"After starting a week late, and not having had much competitive action, we now have three games in six days which is not ideal.

"But everyone's raring to go, there is a hunger to win the league for a third season in a row."

One player who won't be featuring until Christmas is central defender Steve Evans who continues his recovery from a ruptured Achilles during the summer.

Meanwhile, Scott Quigley and Ryan Jones have joined Cefn Druids on season long loans, with the Saints having a 24 hour recall option.



Out injured – Steve Evans

Bumper blow for fastest lap Ben

BEN Power recorded the fastest lap of the weekend as he continued his assault on the National Legends Car championship in front of the television cameras at Donington Park in Derbyshire.

Power, the Guisfield-based racing driver, started the two-day event well, with fourth place in race one, and third in race two, after leading for five laps.

He then finished second in the final to be placed joint second overall on the day.

On Sunday, he tore through from the back of the grid to take fourth place in the first heat, setting a time that was never bettered.

In heat 2, he was leading until one lap from home, when he was disqualified because the rear bumper had come loose and was a potential hazard.

His excellent form continued in the final race, which saw him recover from an early setback to catch and pass the leader Dean Brace. Power led until the last corner, only to miss the victory by 0.006 seconds.

"It was a really eventful weekend," said Power, aged 23. "The results have moved me up to third in the championship, and the title race is still wide open."



Ben Power's rear bumper comes loose which led to disqualification while he was leading race two on Sunday at Donington Park in Derbyshire

The Donington Park races will be shown on Motors TV soon, and the series continues at Snetterton in Norfolk with another two-day meeting on Sunday and Monday (August 25 - 26).

Last season was the best ever for the Welshpool and Oswestry-based Gutterside team. Power recorded his first race wins in Legends Cars, and for a while he was second in the championship behind long-time leader and now champion Lawrence Davey, from East Sussex.

Earlier this year, he won a live televised race at Mallory Park circuit in Leicestershire.

The UK Legends series visits tracks around the UK, including famous circuits such as Brands Hatch. It features top drivers from around the UK and the continent, including several ex-world champions.

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